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HERD TEST MEASURE.

Council Passed Long Discussed Sanitary Ordinance.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED FOR.

Members Had Been Convinced of the Necessity of Such an Ordinance to Protect the Health of the Residents. Text to the Ordinance.

At the adjourned meeting of the borough council Thursday night the ordinance requiring the testing of dairy herds supplying milk in Towanda was passed by an unanimous vote of council, every member being present. There was but little discussion of the measure as the question has been thoroughly gone over several times in council and the members have been fully informed by their own observations as the needs of such an ordinance. It's as follows:

Be it ordained by the Town Council of the Borough of Towanda, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same, that the following resolution passed by the Board of Health of this borough at a regular meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 6, 1904, be approved and adopted as an ordinance of this borough, to wit:

"A resolution requiring the testing for tuberculosis and other contagious diseases of all cows yielding milk offered for sale in the borough of Towanda, Pa.

"Whereas, tuberculosis of cattle is a contagious disease and it is an accepted fact that it is transmissible to persons using milk of cows affected with this disease.

"And, whereas, said disease is known to exist to a greater or less extent among the cattle of this section of the state.

"Therefore, be it resolved, by the Board of Health of the Borough of Towanda, that all persons offering milk for sale in this borough be required to furnish to this board, after ninety days from this date, certificates of veterinarians recognized by the state veterinarian, showing that the cows yielding said milk have been tested with tuberculin and are free from tuberculosis, or any other contagious disease, and that the stables and yards where said cows are kept are in a proper sanitary condition.

"That any person or persons violating the provisions of this resolution shall upon conviction before the chief burgess or any justice of the peace of the said borough, pay a fine of not less than $10, nor more than $25 with costs of suit, for the use of the borough and stand committed until the sentence is complied with."

The question of the menace to health of conditions existing in the McIntosh block was brought up in which there is no sewer in a block containing a laundry, a meat market, a barber shop and an undertaking establishment. It is thought to be likely that action will be taken to compel the owner of the block through the tenants to abate the nuisance.

Monroe Day.

The next regular meeting of the Bradford County Historical society, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 24, has been set apart as Monroe day, at which time the pioneer families of Monroe and the interesting features of her history will be considered. Short addresses will be given by different persons, "When Old Monroe Was Young" and other old time songs rendered, with a general interchange of reminiscences. Persons having relics, documents or curios associated with the history of Monroe are earnestly requested to loan and bring same for exhibition. An especial invitation is extended to the citizens of Monroe and all descendants of her pioneer families.

Death at Athens.

Mrs. John E. Smith died at Athens Monday morning in child birth. Mrs. Smith's maiden name was Hulett and she was born in Sheshequin 39 years ago. Besides the husband she leaves two sisters, Mrs. Henry Huff and Mrs. Emma Campbell of Athens and one brother, Lee S. Hulett of East Athens. The infant born to Mrs. Smith died a few minutes after birth. Funeral services for Mrs. Smith were held at the house at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon; interment in Tioga Point cemetery.

Needle Work Guild.

Last week closed the fiscal year of the Towanda branch of the Needle Work Guild. The past year has been a most successful one here. No less than 404 garments were made by the members of the guild or donated by them. Of these a number were sent to the Children's Home society, some forwarded to the Robert Packer hospital at Sayre and the remainder are kept for use of the Ladies' Benevolent society in needy cases. The guild is to be congratulated on the exellent work accomplished.

Place your holiday ad now.

W. S. BECK BUYS THE LITTLE GROCERY.

S. J. Little Will Go Into the Lumber Business.

A business change of interest was made Dec. 7 when the E. W. Little grocery store at the corner of Main and Plank Road streets was sold to W. S. Beck. The new proprietor will do business under the name of Beck's Grocery. He will carry a full line of fine groceries, baked stuff, canned goods, cigars, tobaccos, etc. Mr. Beck was for a number of years in the confectionery business in Towanda and has made many friends here who will extend to him best wishes in his new enterprise.

S. J. Little, the proprietor of the Little grocery, has already started upon a new business and the S. J. Little Lumber company has been formed. The company has a force of men at work removing the machinery of a mill four miles from Barcley to Barclay where the plant will be located and new machinery added to that already in the old mill. Mr. Little is an energetic young business man and should make a success of his new venture.

TAYLOR—McKEEBY.

Popular Towanda Bride Married to Scranton Young Man.

A very pretty home wedding occurred on Saturday evening at the home of the bride's father, J. R. McKeeby, on Huston street, when Miss Martha Minerva McKeeby was married to William Charles Taylor of Scranton, son of William S. Taylor of Philadelphia. The ceremony was performed at 8:30 in the bow window of the sitting room which was banked with evergreen and bitter sweet, Rev. O. A. Houghton, pastor of the Methodist church, officiating.

Miss Bradt of Belmont, N. Y., was maid of honor and G. H. Taylor of Philadelphia, a brother of the groom, was best man. The bride's gown was of white chiffon cloth over white taffeta and she carried a bouquet of white bridal roses. The gown of the maid of honor was of white crepe de chine over white taffeta. The wedding march was played by Miss Katherine Carroll of this place. After congratulations, refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left for a wedding trip after which they will return to Scranton where the groom is manager of the Herrofix Brazing company.

His bride is an unusually highly respected young woman and her many friends in Towanda and this vicinity will extend her their very highest congratulations and best wishes. Among the out of town guests at the wedding were: Mrs. Minerva Hill of Burlington, Miss Elizabeth Payne of Athens, William S. Taylor, the groom's father, Dr. J. Gurnay Taylor, Master William S. Taylor, Jr., Miss Kirkbride and Master Gerald K. Taylor of Philadelphia. The groom's mother is at present in Europe, and was thereby prevented from attending the wedding.

Local News in Brief.

The merchant whose advertising is so good that his competitor's wife feels half-inclined to deal with him is on the straight road to fortune.

Mrs. Ellen Pierce died on Sunday at her home at Owego. The funeral was held Tuesday from her late home and the body taken to LeRaysville for interment.

The Tri-County of the P. O. S. of A. which includes Chemung, Steuben and Tioga counties, N. Y., has been in session at Waverly this week. Eugene Curry of Elmira is the newly elected president.

The much talked about Owego panther skin, on which Frank Teeter has demanded a bounty of $20, has been pronounced to be the skin of a common every day cat "gone to seed," by J. Alden Loring, to whom it was sent for an opinion.

Died at Clearfield.

Word was received at Canton Monday of the death of Frank King, who formerly lived there, but who was at the time of his death a resident of Clearfield, Pa. The particulars of the accident which caused his death are not known, but as he was a railroad man it is assumed he was injured by the cars, the accident happening Sunday evening.

Mouillesseaux—Franklin.

Leo F. Mouillesseaux, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Mouillesseaux of this place, and Mrs. Emily M. Franklin of Mahanoy City were married at the parish house at that place on Tuesday, Dec. 6. The many friends of Mr. Mouillesseaux in this place will extend congratulations.

Died in Palestine.

Charles A. Krise of Canton has received word of the death of his brother, F. W. Krise, in Palestine, on November 6. He went to the Holy Land from Tioga in 1873, and never returned. He was nearly 73 years of age, and is survived by his wife and three children.

All kinds of legal blanks for sale at this office.

JOHNSON MURDER TRIAL

ATTRACTING STATE-WIDE ATTENTION

ALIBI FOR DEFENSE.

Charles Johnson, One of a Family of Five Accused of Killing His Brother's Wife.

THE ALLEGED MURDER AND BURNING OF MAGGIE BENJAMIN JOHNSON AND LITTLE ANNIE BENJAMIN AT MACEDONIA ON SUNDAY NIGHT, SEPT. 18, NOW BEING INVESTIGATED—TWO CONFESSIONS AND MANY BLOODY CLOTHES FIGURE IN THE EVIDENCE AND BLOOD SPOTS AND CHARRED BONES PLAY A PROMINENT PART—BIGLER INDIRECTLY ACCUSED BY COUNSEL FOR CHARLES—PUBLIC INTEREST GREAT.

Yesterday was the eighth day of the trial of Charles Johnson for the murder of Mrs. Maggie Benjamin Johnson, his brother Bigler's wife, on Sunday night, Sept. 18. It has been a hard fought battle on both sides, and from the examination of the first talesman on Tuesday of last week every inch of the way has been contested carefully, at times fiercely and always with much vigor. The commonwealth is represented by District Attorney Mills, Wm. Maxwell, Esq., S. H. Smith, Esq., and D. E. Kaufman, Esq. The prisoner is most ably defended by Messrs. Lilley & Wilson.

Out of the panel of 60 jurors, 54 talesmen were examined before the 12 men to decide the case were secured.

The jury as completed is as follows:

JOHN C. WRIGHT, farmer; Granville township.

CYRUS JAKEWAY, farmer; Windham township.

CHAS. M. HOMET, farmer, Wyalusing township.

LYMAN COLE, farmer, Athens township.

GEO. L. FAIRCHILD, barber; Towanda.

ROBERT BROWN, farmer; Wysox township.

ISAAC A. THOMPSON, farmer; Rome township.

JOSEPH L. ROCKWELL, farmer; Burlington township.

GEORGE F. WARNER, musician; Pike township.

BENJAMIN CRAWFORD, farmer; Tuscarora township.

ANDREW WHITEHEAD, farmer; West Burlington township.

FLOYD BRADFORD, farmer; Columbia township.

Commonwealth's Opening.

A conference between the court and the attorneys, lasting 30 minutes was held in the judge's chambers. At its conclusion S. H. Smith, Esq., of counsel for the commonwealth made the opening plea. He spoke for 30 minutes, and in a forceful and graphic manner presented the case from the standpoint of the prosecution. He described the location of the scene of the alleged crime and the roads leading to it; the house was described, its entrances and arrangement. The residences and relationship of the five members of the Johnson family were outlined.

First Witness Examined.

The first witness called to the stand was Mrs. Susan Hicks, sister of Maggie Johnson, mother of Annie Benjamin, and prosecutrix in the case. She was examined by Mr. Mills. She gave her age as 29, that of Maggie as 39 and Annie's age as ten years.

Maggie was married to Bigler three years ago last September, but had not lived with him since the previous July. Saw Maggie on Sept. 18, and ate supper with her betwen 4 and 5 o'clock. Left at 5, and had not seen her sister since. Saw Annie between 6 and 7, when she came to her house, but had not seen her since. Was awakened by some neighbors on their way home from the fire; went there herself and returned home at 9:35.

She described the arrangement of her sister's house. There were two oil cans, both filled the previous Thursday, and a double bitted axe which were kept on the stairs opening off the living room.

A question as to her knowledge of a quarrel betwen Bigler and his wife was objected to, and objection was sustained.

Cross-examined by Mr. Lilley, the witness repeated the story of her going to the fire, where she remained about ten minutes. Talked with Joseph Stevens and Fred Coolbaugh. Mr. Lilley brought out that the witness, Maggie and the children went earlier in the day to Moses Benjamin's place after some sweet apples. That she and her little girl stopped in front of the Merritt house where the Johnsons lived while Maggie went through the yard to the apple tree, and that they spoke with Nancy Johnson. The witness grew angry and retorted sharply, "That's none of your business," in answer to the question why she was there.

Map Placed in Evidence.

County Surveyor Hiram E. Bull was sworn, and was examined by Mr. Smith. He presented a map of the locality made to a scale of four inches to the mile, which was identified and placed in evidence. Mr. Bull then explained the map to the jury.

WITNESS WHO SAW THE FIRE.

Joseph Stevens Told of the Burning of the House—Remains Found.

Thursday, the third day of the Johnson murder trial, was taken up by the commonwealth in laying the foundation of their case and showing the whereabouts of Charles Johnson, the prisoner on trial, during the Sunday on which Maggie Johnson and Annie Benjamin met their death. The prisoner sat, as he has every day, beside his counsel, stolid, unmoving, apparently almost oblivious to what is going on around him.

At the opening of court County Surveyor Bull resumed the stand and continued the explanation of his map. The Merritt house is located a mile and a quarter from the burned house; the culvert across the road is nine and a half rods from the burned house, and the tree, near which one of the pools of blood alleged to have been found, is 6 and eight-tenths rods from the house.

Tracing Charley's Movements.

Thomas Barnes of Towanda, was the first witness sworn. He knew Bigler and Charles; on the day of the fire saw them on Bridge street, Towanda, about 4 o'clock. Saw no satchel.

Chauncey Vosburg, the South Main street barber, was coming from beyond Wysox that afternoon leading a colt. About 5 o'clock he met Charles riding his bicycle along the Main Wysox road near the White church, going toward home. Met and spoke to Bigler a few minutes after near the Laning bridge. The next morning Bigler came to his shop and was shaved. A question as to any conversation with Bigler concerning the fire was promptly objected to, and objection sustained.

John Chilson of Towanda, was with Vosburg, driving his horse. He testified to meeting Bigler and Charles at the same time as Vosburg. Bigler carried a satchel. This witness saw the light of the fire about 9 o'clock from the freight depot.

What Was Found at the Fire.

Joseph Stevens of Macedonia, on whose farm the burned house stood, was next called. It stood about 100 rods and plainly in sight from his own home. He last saw Maggie Johnson about 5 o'clock on the afternoon of Sept. 18, when she and Annie Benjamin came to his door yard and paid him the rent of the house and got some vinegar. Again reference to Bigler's affairs was objected to.

The witness first saw the light of the fire between 9 and 10 o'clock, from the river where he was at an eel weir. He and three others towed their boat around the island which lay between them and the fire, landed there and walked to the fire, being the first ones on the ground. The northwest corner, where the bedroom was located, was a mass of flames and they could do nothing.

He and others remained until about 12 o'clock. After the flames died down somewhat a pole was procured and he and others poked in the debris to see if they could determine whether any one had been burned. The bed springs were first taken out, and then a piece of animal matter, apparently the lower part of the trunk of a human being, was poked out, and later a smaller piece. The larger piece was about two feet long.

Witness went to his house and procured a small box with which the pieces were covered. The crowd left the fire together. Next morning he found the pieces covered with the box as they had been left. Where the bedroom had been a quantity of bones were found scattered among the ashes. These with the pieces supposed to be flesh were buried by Tom Benjamin and Perry Vanderpool.

His attention was called to the door step and he found it covered with spots about half an inch across. A trail of drops led from the step to the road and Southward about 90 feet toward Susan Hick's house. Within a few feet of the little bridge was a pool of what appeared to be blood. The trail led back toward the burned house, and ten or 12 feet away was another pool; the trail led then back to the house, the spots being six to eight inches apart. The pools were six to eight inches across. They were about half an inch deep, appeared fresh, although the tops were somewhat dry and crusted over.

The cross-examination of Mr. Stevens by the defense brought out the nearness of a number of neighbors' houses to the fire, and that the 15 or 20 persons present were in the road about the house and in the field across the road. Witness did not try the door because he was told it had been tried and found to be fastened. Susan Hicks came up the road and he spoke with her. Witness judged the direction of the trails by the position of the spots as they spattered first away from and then toward the house. He observed no footprints over the alleged blood spots. He could not swear that he saw these spots within four or five feet of the spots on the door stone.

District Attorney Mills then asked the witness a number of questions relating to the trees and other surroundings of the house, after which the noon adjournment was taken.

CHARRED BONES EXHIBITED.

Gruesome Exhibit Presented by County Coroner Holcombe.

Thursday afternoon's session was marked by the exhibition of a number of charred bones, taken from the ruins of Maggie Johnson's house and alleged by the commonwealth to be portions of the bodies of both Maggie Johnson and Annie Benjamin. The stepping stones of the house and several stones taken from the road, all being marked with dark colored spots, claimed by the commonwealth to be the blood of one of the victims of the tragedy, were also presented.

Maggie's Brother Testified.

Thomas Benjamin of Macedonia, brother of Maggie, was the first witness of the afternoon. He was examined by David E. Kaufman, Esq., associate counsel for the commonwealth.

He saw Charles in that vicinity about 4 o'clock on Sept. 18. Heard of the fire at 1 o'clock that night, and went there with Perry Vanderpool at 2 o'clock in the morning. Saw the remains and immediately went home. Next morning he was on the scene, helped gather some of the bones from the ruins and later helped inter them. He also on the order of the coroner assisted in their exhumation and reinterment. He also described the bloody trails.

On cross examination Benjamin stated that he had no attack of bleeding at the nose that night. Mr. Wilson asked witness if he had not heard his own mother say that he had the nosebleed there that night. Objection was made and sustained. Was there twice on the Monday. Perry Vanderpool found the lock to the front door near the step, and the key that turned it was found where the bedroom of the house had been.

Human Bones Exhibited.

Dr. Guy C. Holcombe of Ulster, coroner of the county, was then called. He was notified of the fire and the probable loss of life the next morning, and ordered the justice of the peace to hold an inquest. On Sunday, Oct. 2, in company with Charles Horton, Dr. D. L. Pratt, Chief Miller, G. C. Hollon and David E. Kaufman, Esq., he went to the scene of the fire. Ordered the exhumation of the remains. He found in the box a charred mass about 18 inches long, six inches wide at one end and 12 at the other, numerous pieces of charred

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FROM NEARBY PLACES

What is Happening in Many Towns Hereabouts.

FINE LECTURE AT WYALUSING

George R. Wendling to Speak There This Evening—Jurors Summoned for This Week Notified not to Appear—Other Notes.

West Scranton wants a public park.

George R. Wendling will lecture at Troy on Dec. 15.

A two years old Scranton baby fell and fractured its arm.

Gambling houses are said to be opening up in Scranton again.

The Industrial school fair held at Elmira recently will bring in $1,600.

John V. Solomon of Waverly died on Thursday evening, aged 72 years.

Anderson Bunn of Canton has been granted a pension of $12 per month.

The jurors summoned for this week's court have been notified not to appear.

The Sullivan county teachers' institute will convene at Dushore, Dec. 26, 1904.

Horatio Culver, aged 48 years, of Wellsboro, died on Nov. 28 of paralysis.

Henry F. Coggshall, 81 years old, one of Fitchburg's, Mass., wealthiest citizens, and Miss Carriel L. Wilbur, 31 years old, were married at Wilkesbarre, Pa., on Tuesday, Dec. 6.

An effort will be made to have the Scranton councils order the issuance of bonds to the amount of $330,000, for the purpose of paying outstanding judgments against the city.

Burglars entered the house of Father John Velyhosky at Hazleton and after cutting the telephone wires ransacked the lower part of the residence for money but did not find any.

The World felicitates Canton people on the privilege they enjoy of seeing daily out for exercise one of the Charles Lee show horses, a handsome 1,400 pound Percheron, valued at $3,000.

The Baptist Fair in Galeton, which was the great event of Thanksgiving week in that boro, was well patronized, and it is reported that $300 was cleared to apply on the church indebtedness.

Ray Pfiffer, a married man, living on Washington street, Elmira, 24 years old, is in the custody of the police on the charge of grabbing women in the public streets at night. He is not mentally bright. He has confessed to Chief Cassada.

The Italians of Carbondale, who have organized a society to combat the work of the cut throat organization that has been committing murders and assaults in that section, intends making an aggressive campaign against such manner of lawlessness.

DOMESTIC SAVED BOY'S LIFE BY PRESENCE OF MIND.

Son of Charles T. Fox of Wayne Had Narrow Escape.

The following account from the Philadelphia Press of Dec. 9 is concerning a son of Charles T. Fox, a former well-known Towandian: "With markable presence of mind Nora Burke, domestic in the home of Henry W. Alexander, of Haverford, saved Robert Taylor Fox, the 14-year-old son of Charles T. Fox, of 107 Bloomingdale Avenue, Wayne, from being ground to death under the wheels of a train.

"Though the incident occurred last Tuesday, nothing was said about the affair until yesterday, as young Fox feared his parents would be alarmed. Tuesday afternoon Mrs. Fox, the boy's mother, and Nora Burke drove to the station. While Mrs. Fox remained in the carriage Miss Burke went to the baggageroom to get a package. As she walked along the platform the the train which leaves Haverford for Broad Street Station at 3:23 o'clock was just pulling out. The woman saw young Fox hanging helplessly to the handrail of one of the cars.

"Apparently too frightened to let go, and realizing that to loosen his hold would send him between the station and train and possibly under the wheels of the cars, the boy was dragged with the train.

Suddenly the lad threw himself away from the train, but was unable to put any force in the action and fell on the edge of the platform. As he was about to fall over Miss Burke ran up and seized him by the arm. James Young, a hackman, came to her assistance and together they urew the boy safely on the platform.

"When the woman went back to the carriage with the package she merely told Mrs. Fox that a boy had nearly been killed by a train. Young Fox is a student in the Haverford Grammar School."

Medical Society Meeting.

The monthly meeting of the Bradford County Medical society was held Tuesday afternoon. Dr. C. L. Stevens of Athens read a paper on fake medical advertising in religious journals and Dr. F. A. Thompson of Durell gave a paper upon the uses and abuses of strychnia. The committee on nominations was selected as follows: C. L. Stevens W. F. Harshbarger and S. M. Woodburn; committee on program F. A. Thompson, Francis Chaffee and C. M. Woodburn.

Sheriff's Sales.

At the second week's sheriff's sales Friday afternoon, Sheriff Robinson disposed of the following pieces: Nos. 1 and 2, lots in South Creek township were sold to Harriet Hammond for $1,100. No. 5 of last week's sales, lot in South Waverly, was sold to J. A. Davison for $500.

Death at Ulster.

David Higgins died Monday at Ulster, aged nearly 80 years. He had lived all his life in that place. Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment at Ulster.

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Ayer's Pills Sugar-coated, easy to take, mild in action. They cure constipation, biliousness, sick-headache. J. C. Ayer Co., Lowell, Mass.

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Happenings in the County

Gathered by Special Correspondents In Many Towns

ALBA.

Rev. Encell has resigned on account of ill health, and will start on Wednesday to go and live with his daughter in New York.

Rev. L. J. Reynolds of the Baptist church has also resigned, and is going to a new field of work.

Miss Carrie Mandeville of Catnon will spend the winter with Mrs. Lu L. Packard.

Mrs. Lottie Bates is in very poor health; she is preparing to go to the hospital.

Mrs. Melvina Lewis is visiting friends in Canton, after Christmas she will visit her daughter, Jennie Lilly, of Elmira.

Herdie Packard came home from his hunting expedition Saturday night.

Mrs. Bernice Brooks is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Packard.

Mrs. Roberts from East Troy will give the report of the W. C. T. U. state convention at Bloomsburg in the Church of Christ Sunday morning, Dec. 18. A good attendance is expected. Every one is invited to come and hear what the Woman's Christian Temperance Union is doing.

Miss Myrtle from Granville visited friends in this place recently.

Startling Evidence.

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption Coughs and Colds to be unequaled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentorville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had Bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all Lung and Throat troubles, Consumption, Pneumonia and Grip. Guaranteed by Turner the druggist. Trial bottles free, regular sizes 50c, and $1.00.

RUMMERFIELD.

Mrs. Barber visited her sister Mrs. Wm. Vanness part of last week.

Vern Clagett spent last Saturday with Towanda friends.

The aid society meets at Mrs. John Moon's Thursday for dinner.

There were no services here Sunday on account of the sad death of Rev. Councilman's infant child who died of pneumonia.

Fred Sage has returned from Sayre.

Miss Louise Fisher is spending a week with relatives in Towanda.

Mr. and Mrs. Moger of Lime Hill visited friends here Sunday.

Discovery of Anthracite Coal.

Anthracite coal was first discovered in 1791, and during this same year the business of marketing this new commodity was started. Today it represents an industry of wonderful proportions. It was in 1853 that Hostetter's Stomach Bitters was first introduced to the public, and because it contained true merit has progressed so rapidly that for many years it has occupied the first rank as a family medicine. It positively cures sick headache, heartburn, indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness, kidney ills, chills, colds and malaria. We urge all sickly men and women to try it for it is well deserving a fair trial. For sale by all druggists and general dealers. Apply to any of them for a copy of our 1905 Almanac. It is free and contains valuable information.

GROVER.

Mrs. Andrew Campbell of Yorktown, has been on the sick list for several days.

Charles McCarthy, who is attending a business college, is home visiting his parents.

Mrs. Clint Hicks is on the sick list.

A. J. Rathbun purchased a very fine two year old filly last week from Ezra Coutlis of East Troy.

Mrs. Jillian Rockdell visited friends in Canton last week.

Mrs. Richard Jones of Roaring Branch spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones.

Saturday night was the coldest night we have had so far this winter. Thermometer stood 5 degrees to 8 degrees below zero Sunday morning in some places.

Earl Hoose of Canandaigua spent Sunday with his parents.

Driven to Desperation.

Living at an out of way place, remote from civilization, a family is often driven to desperation in case of accident, resulting in Burns, Cuts, Wounds, Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth. 25c, at Turner's Drug Store.

CAMPTOWN.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jones returned Thursday from a week's visit with Williamsport relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Donovan of Spring Hill have moved to this place.

The Baptists gave a reception at the home of P. A. Smith on Friday evening for Rev. and Mrs. Rightmire and a most enjoyable evening was spent.

A. C. Hammerlev was in Wilkesbarre last week.

The friends of Rev. and Mrs. Carl Councilman will be sorry to hear of the sudden death Wednesday of their baby, Paul. Funeral services were held at the house Friday afternoon; interment Saturday at West Pittston.

NEATH.

B. F. Fowler and sons and Warren Lewis and Fay Ford attended the dance and watch drawing at J. L. Hicks's Ford street, Friday night. Mr. Hicks had the good luck to draw the watch. They reported a good time.

WETONA.

Bert Corey of this place, who has been doing duty in the standing army at the Philippines the past three years, returned home last week.

School commenced in the new school house Monday morning.

Mrs. Nellie Woodworth is spending a few days with her brother at Owego, who is dangerously sick with pneumonia.

Work has commenced on the Telephone line. Several poles have all ready been set.

There will be no meeting at this place next Sunday on account of Quarterly meeting at Leona.

A Card.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. We also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded. D. G. Phelps, East Smithfield. F. F. Lomax, Monroeton. Clark B. Porter, Towanda.

SACO.

Robert Watson and son of California are renewing old acquaintances at this place and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Lewis who have been spending the past three weeks in St. Louis, Kansas and Wisconsin returned home Saturday.

Fred Manger of Buffalo was calling on friends at this place Saturday and Sunday.

Maggie Noble is on the sick list with Scarlet fever. Her sister Martha who has been ill with the same is reported better at this writing.

Worst of All Experiences.

Can anything be worse than to feel that every minute will be your last? Such was the experience of Mrs. S. H. Newson, Decatur, Ala. "For three years" she writes, "I endured insufferable pain from indigestion, stomach and bowel trouble. Death seemed inevitable when doctors and all remedies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered. For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the only medicine. Only 50c. It's guaranteed by Turner the Druggist.

PIKE.

Singing school is progressing nicely under the management of Prof. Chas. Cobb.

Misses Florence Mitten and Mildred Baker of Herrickville spent Saturday and Sunday at B. C. Post's and attended the teachers' local institute at LeRaysville.

Howell Powell is building a blacksmith shop and will soon be ready to receive customers.

Several sportsmen from Pittston and Philadelphia have been hunting around here.

Charles Squires is boarding at Mrs. E. M. Hammerley's and attending school at LeRaysville.

That Throbbing Headache.

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by Turner the Druggist.

RENWICK.

Miss Lola Brown of Powell is spending some time with her parents here.

F. Emory of Sayre is home.

W. A. Kipp has returned from New York.

Levee Drake of Stevenson spent Sunday at George Inma's.

GRANVILLE SUMMIT.

Mrs. Lottie Ayers is improving slowly.

On account of Quarterly meeting at West Leroy there will be no preaching in the M. E. church next Sunday evening.

W. B. Packard has finished his bark job at Granville Center.

M. W. Ferguson started Monday for Erie, to attend the state grange.

H. Dreste has bought his mother's farm and will move there in the spring.

Lawrence Manley of Alba and L. D. May and R. A. Saxton of Granville Centre met at Myrt Ferguson's Saturday to arrange the program for the Farmer's Institute to be held in the M. E. church Jan. 4 and 5.

The Baptist Sunday school and every one in general is invited to attend and take part in the Christmas exercises Christmas eve.

The Drama at the North Woods school house Friday evening was a success. A good crowd greeted the performers.

BURLINGTON.

Mrs. Allen Hill and son William of Bath, N. Y., have been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Hill and other friends here.

Miss Fairy Sibley of Orwell is visiting her aunt, Mrs. David Mingos.

R. P. Hill of Elmira is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. S. H. Hill.

The bazaar in the basement of the M. E. church last Friday and Saturday was well patronized; proceeds $71.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hill visited relatives in Canton a few days last week.

There is no need to worry any more about the weeds, for they have gone to seed to curse both you and your neighbor for next year.

We now have concrete streets and sidewalks, cement buildings, posts and piling. The coming architecture is largely going to dispense with brick, stone and lumber.

We have a good many so called statesmen who, like the modern airship, are able to rise by virtue of the gas they carry, but who drift whichever way the wind blows when they are up in the air.

The government crop report says we have raised 2,453,000,000 bushels of corn this year, not the largest crop ever raised, but close to it. This crop is worth close to $1,000,000,000, and it has all been picked one ear at a time.

A man never liveth to himself alone if he is a resident of a small town. His dear neighbors will find out everything about him, his business and domestic affairs and some besides. It is probable that this sort of gratuitous detective service does not a little to keep some people straight.

All are agreed that the willow hedges untrimmed are nothing but a public nuisance when grown bordering the public roads. They cause impassable drifts of snow in winter, keep the road muddy after rains and shut off any view of the good farms on either side. These hedges are generally being removed.

During the seven years' drought in Australia a mare of native stock made the discovery that there were green and tender grasses growing at the bottom of a large pool of water, and she learned to dive to get them. Her progeny also took up the diving habit, and the chances are that had the necessity continued a new race of diving horses would have been created.

The present prices for farm products fully justify present prices for farm lands. In fact, if assured of a continuance of such prices the value of good farm land would easily bear an advance of 20 per cent. Good land is today one of the cheapest things on the market as well as one of the safest investments. Farmers' wives will do a good thing if they balk and refuse to sign deeds of the farm at present values.

We give the following figures as given to us lately by a manufacturer of the new cement blocks which are now coming into use. He said that a silo sixteen feet in diameter and twenty-five feet in height could be built at a cost for the blocks of $134; that these blocks are so dovetailed into each other that they make a practically solid wall. If to this be added the cost of laying up it would seem as though here was a silo for something about $200 that would be the cheapest and best thing yet worked out. This idea is worth investigating.

A farmer is never quite ready to move to the town if he can't get rid of a hankering to raise hogs. A hog in a town is always out of place unless he is dead. As a begetter of original and unendurable stinks the hog in confinement takes the cake. Hens in town are bad enough, lowering the moral status of any locality where they run at large. But when coupled with the odor of a hogpen on a warm August evening the two combined can neutralize the best efforts of the churches. If you think you must keep hogs, stay on the farm, where there are plenty of wind and neighbors half a mile apart.

The cement blocks for building purposes can be made in almost any community and used in constructive work at just about two-thirds the cost of brick, with the added advantage that the work, while equally durable and fireproof, looks much handsomer. The best of it is that wherever there is sand of good quality these cement blocks may be profitably manufactured. While we have not as yet noted that it has been done, we see no reason why a cheap and excellent drain-tile could not be made from this material, which ought to give a fine business all through the prairie regions, where fuel is high priced and tile draining a necessity.

There are still many localities where the first crop raised on the land will pay for it. It may be done in the newer sections of North Dakota by breaking up the prairie sod the last of May or the first of June and sowing it to flax, it may be done in Oklahoma with a crop of winter wheat on the newer and cheaper lands, it may be done with potatoes on almost any of the cheap timbered lands of northern Minnesota or Wisconsin, it may be done with alfalfa on much of the good land in Kansas and Nebraska, it may be done in growing various crops on almost any of the well irrigated lands being brought into market in so many of the western states, and when a smart man can pay for his farm with the first crop he has got a snap and ought to be satisfied. Any land which will permit the doing of this is easily worth five or six times what one has to pay for it.

KEEP OUT OF DEBT.

Two-thirds of the people would be infinitely better off and much happier if they never under any circumstances went into debt. Debt with these is the begetter of poverty and financial slavery, a voluntary bondage often lightly assumed in the first place, the chains of which become more tightly riveted the harder the victim tries to escape. There is no ration of food so poor, no work so hard or menial, no suit of clothing so patched, that they should demand the contraction of a debt to escape them. "Pay as you go" will make every poor man independent. Earn your money before you spend it. Unpaid grocery bills, a chalk score at the saloon, maturing obligations which have a first mortgage on next month's salary or next year's crops, always make a man feel cheap and discouraged. It is simply surprising how easy it is to get along without things which you think you want and really do not need, and it is these things for which most men get into debt. The man who pays cash gets the lowest price and a discount on his bills. There is perhaps no simpler motto for many people to secure more happiness and comfort in living than just this—to get out of debt and stay out.

People will probably never get so refined that they will refuse to eat onions. Whatever they may think of the large matured bulb, the little tender green onion of the early spring is so appetizing and toothsome that we know of young ladies who will eat it and run all risks, even when they expect their best fellow to visit them after supper.

Men do not realize the cohesive and multiplying power of the saved dollar. This dollar is always a worker. If the money young men fool away on liquor, tobacco, slot machines and other tomfoolery was only saved they would not have to stand the parson off with 75 cents when they get married and would not have to live with the old folks till they are given notice to leave.

If alcohol can be made and sold for light, heat and power uses at 10 cents a gallon, which it can if not taxed, no easier way exists for the people to get after the worst trust in the country than by demanding needed legislation to make this thing possible. It would make twenty cent gasoline look sick to have to compete with ten cent alcohol. Germany is on to this scheme, and congress had better import a Dutchman or two to tell us how to do it.

It is worth remembering that hemlock plank will not last more than two-thirds as long as white pine when used as planking for bridges. It is not that the hemlock will rot more quickly, but it splinters up under the wear by sharp shod teams to a far greater extent than does the pine, and it does not seem to make any difference whether the wear is had lengthwise or crosswise, the result is the same. Where hemlock is used for this purpose it should be bought at a much greater margin of difference than there usually is between it and pine.

A writer for the press recently referred to the down and feathers to be found in an eagle's nest and conveyed the idea that it was a beautiful and artistic bird home. Guess he never saw one, for the real nest of the eagle is a crude pile of coarse sticks, usually fixed over a little from year to year, no down or feathers by a long shot, a stinking boneyard of fragments of rabbits, snakes, fowls and often larger game. The eagle is altogether an unclean bird, and when we have invested him with power, speed, dignity and supremacy over his kind man has done all he can for him.

While a black hide is more or less of a handicap to the human race, it is never so with the animal creation. The Angus and Galloway cattle stand at the top among beef producing animals, the black Percheron horse is not eclipsed by any draft horse, the Poland-China hog leads the procession in his line, the Holstein cow is queen of the dairy, while the black Spanish and Langshan fowls are ever prime favorites in the poultry yard. Black soil is almost always the best soil, and a girl dressed in black, with a cherry red ribbon round her neck, is looking her best—that is, most of them are.

There died in a western state recently a newspaper man. He was bright, original, a bit cranky and generally respected. It was funny, but true, that in the many well deserved tributes which were paid to his memory by the papers of his state the very best thing which he had done during his long life was entirely overlooked. For years he had been an advocate of improved highways, of more intelligent and sensible methods of working them and expending the highway taxes. In season and out of season, while wabbling more or less in a political way, he could always be depended upon to write and talk for good roads. We can only wish for him that he is now in that country where the roads are made of pure gold and do not need repairing.

The ordinary four rod highway common in most states involves a great waste of good land. No other civilized country would permit it. The roads should either be made narrower or some practical use should be made of the unused portion of the road. If these highways could be seeded down and mowed in season it would not be so bad, but owing to lack of enterprise and public spirit and sometimes lack of time a wild riot of weeds has undisputed possession of thousands of miles of prairie highways, disfiguring fine farms and furnishing enough foul weed seed to infect the whole country. Under the co-operative method of handling farms, elsewhere referred to, a flock of sheep could and would be put in charge of a shepherd and grazed on these roads, when the clean highway would also become the profitable highway.

UNPROFITABLE COWS.

When a man sets a standard for the measure of a day's work to be rendered by the man whom he hires to help him with his farm work, and most men do, why is it not equally good business management to set a standard of productiveness for the cow which he feeds and milks? Most dairies carry a lot of lady boarders who toil not, neither do they pay their way, but they are kindly treated, hold respectable positions in cow society and eat their heads off every year. It is now an easy thing to test the herd—know just what each cow is doing and just what she is worth. The average butter product of two of the big dairy states, Iowa and Minnesota, is less than 150 pounds per cow. This 150 pounds of butter will bring about 18 cents per pound when sold as cream to the local creamery, amounting to $27. Now, if a man is keeping his dairy cows on a farm worth $80 per acre it costs just about $27 to keep the cow, and all the net profit he has left for pulling her teats for 280 days is a calf. It is easy to see that every additional pound of butter which he can make his cow produce over 150 pounds is net profit. No cow should be kept milked and fussed with unless she will make at least 200 pounds of butter during one lacteal period or one year. There is just one exception to this conclusion, and that where a man keeps very high grade Angus, Shorthorns or Herefords, in which case, if he can secure the low butter average referred to and get a calf at nine months old worth $25 for baby beef, he can pay out with fair margin of profit. Establishing 200 pounds of butter as the standard of product for each cow milked would thin out the dairy herds in great shape, but it would be done with profit to the owner just the same.

TEN CENT CORN.

During the year 1896 the west was dealing with the problem of ten cent corn, and it was a dandy proposition, take it all round. It was used as fuel in competition with five dollar soft coal, and one smart farmer in Nebraska saved his corn crop from the clutches of the sheriff on the ground that the law exempted a year's supply of fuel for the family. Those days have gone never to return. The limits of the corn growing belt are now well known. The ever hungry millions of Europe have found out the edible and nutritive value of corn as food, scores of needed and most valuable byproducts have been developed by chemistry and science from the cereal which twenty years ago was rated as good for nothing but hog feed, while today no one subject is attracting so much attention and interest as the further development of this wonderful plant and the discovery of the ways and means of growing it in greatest perfection. If you have a good corn farm, keep it: if not for yourself, at least as a splendid heritage for your children. If you are raising forty bushels to the acre, learn how to grow eighty, for it can be done. If you are wasting all the fodder, learn how to save it, for every average corn grower can double his crop and his income from it. Wake up to your splendid opportunities.

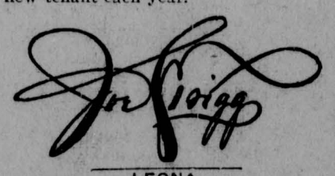
The government will require 40,000 of the big fir trees of Oregon for use as piles in the building of the Panama canal. These piles will all have to be chemically treated to preserve them from the ravages of the teredo. They will represent 32,000,000 feet of lumber, board measure.

It is not in the production of wealth that our economic troubles lie, but in its distribution. Too many men persist in grabbing two pieces of pie.

When an epicure wants his game birds hung up by the tail and ripened until the tail pulls out he cannot consistently criticise the eater of limburger cheese, as it looks to us.

TENANT FARMERS.

The tenant farmer bids fair to become as much of a factor in the agriculture of the west and northwest as he is in England. Men with money are finding out that good land is first of all a safe investment and, second, that the annual return which may be obtained from renting it is at least equal to the net profit to be derived from any other investment. There is one difficulty in this—that we have not as yet developed a class of farmers who are content to remain tenants, the best ones only renting land until such time as they can make enough money to buy a farm of their own, just as young ladies teach school as a makeshift until they can get married. We have before referred to the great benefit to both landlord and tenant which would accrue if only land leases were made for longer periods and a definite system of stock farming put into practice. This would prevent the impoverishment of the soil which inevitably results where cash rents, grain raising and selling are in vogue. We pity the farm and its owner where there is a new tenant each year.



LEONA.

Mrs. Mary Ballard spent a few days last week visiting Troy friends.

Mrs. Bert Ely is entertaining her sister from Grover.

Lent Ballard and friend, Larkin Proulx, of Hatfield, Mass., are spending some time at G. S. Ballard's.

The Citizens Mutual Telephone line is completed through this place, and a good many have it put in their homes.

Ther is to be a Christmas tree at the church on Christmas eve.

Bridge Worker Hurt.

Frank Manley, employed on the piers of the new state bridge at Ulster, was knocked off the bridge Tuesday by a bucket which was traveling on a crane. He was seriously injured.

Lehigh Valley Railroad

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TRAINS LEAVE TOWANDA AS FOLLOWS

EASTWARD

2 05 a m, daily, Express for Allentown, Bethlehem, Philadelphia and New York and principal intermediate stations

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9:15 a. m., daily, Express for Philadelphia, New York and principal intermediate stations, with connections for Reading and Harrisburg.

10:35 a. m., Sunday only, Local for Tunkhannock and intermediate stations.

1:13 p. m, daily, Limited Express for Philadelphia, New York and principal intermediate stations, with connections for Reading and Harrisburg.

3:38 p. m, daily, Black Diamond Express for Wilkesbarre, Philadelphia and New York.

5:23 p m, daily except Sunday, (East Towanda 5:27 p m,) Local for Wilkesbarre and intermediate stations on main line.

5:30 p. m., daily except Sunday, (Washington St. Station 5:38 p. m.) Local for Bernice, Williamsport and intermediate stations.

11.03 p. m., daily, express for Wilkesbarre Bethlehem, Easton, New York and principal intermediate stations.

WESTWARD.

1:30 a m, daily, Limited Express for Rochester, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Detroit, Chicago and the West.

3:11 a m, daily, Express for Buffalo and the West.

10:50 a m, daily except Sunday, (East Towanda 10:40 a m,) Local for Waverly, Elmira, Ithaca, Rochester, Buffalo and intermediate stations.

1:15 p m, Sunday only, Local for Millar, Usher, Athens and Sayre.

3:02 p m, daily, Local Express for Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Detroit Chicago and the West.

5:00 p. m., daily, Black Diamond Express for Ithaca, Rochester and Buffalo with connections for Niagara Falls, Toronto, Detroit Chicago and the West.

7:26 p m, daily except Sunday, (East Towanda 7:17 p m,) Local for Waverly, Elmira and intermediate stations.

For further particulars apply to local ticket agents.

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Time Table in Effect Dec. 4, 1904.

EASTWARD				STATIONS	WESTWARD		
a m	a m	p m			a m	p m	p m
10 05	.....	.....		..L. V. Station ..	.....	1 15	8 45
10 00	11 30	6 00		Ar. Towanda ..Lv	7 15	1 20	8 50
9 50	11 18	5 50		....Monroeton	7 24	1 32	1 02
9 46	11 14	5 45		..... Powell	7 27	1 37	4 07
9 41	11 09	5 40		..... Weston	7 31	1 42	4 11
9 33	11 00	5 30		..... Lomoka	7 38	1 51	4 20
9 30	10 57	5 27		... Long Valley....	7 40	1 53	4 23
9 25	10 50	5 20		.....Barclay.....	7 45	2 00	4 30
9 18	10 43	5 12		.....Laquin	7 51	2 07	4 37
9 01	10 25	4 53		....Cold Spring....	8 07	2 24	4 53
8 48	10 14	4 41		...Wheelerville....	8 18	2 35	5 05
8 41	10 07	4 33		.....Ellenton	8 24	2 42	5 12
8 33	9 59	4 25		.....Billsgrove	8 33	2 51	5 21
8 00	9 30	3 55		Lv...Ralston...Ar	9 15	3 20	5 50
7 10	.....	2 50		....Williamsport....	10 00	.....	.....
.....	8 43	.....		.....Canton	.....	4 08	8 2
.....	8 19	.....		.....Troy	.....	4 26	8 2
.....	7 30	.....		Lv...Elmira...Ar	.....	5 18	9

p m	a m	STATIONS	a m	p m
5 00	9 40	Ar.....Ralston.....Lv	7 50	
5 25	1006	.....	7 24	
5 43	1024	.....Williamson.....	7 06	
6 09	1050	Lv.....Grays Run.....Ar	6 40	3 00

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Miscellaneous.

HIRAM E. BULL, County Surveyor. Engineering, Surveying and Drafting. Office in Court House.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK of Towanda, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business Nov. 10, 1904:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 641,535.78
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		1,359.70
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		125,000.00
U. S. Bonds on hand		2,510.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds		6,820 00
Stocks, securities, etc		71,495 70
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		16,700.00
Other real estate owned		20,025.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		4,911.15
Due from State Banks and Bankers		5,428.42
Due from approved reserve agents		236,738 93
Checks and other cash items		7,324.03
Notes of other National Banks		4,045.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents		59.05
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$33,843.90	
Legal tender notes	17,270.00	51,113.90
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)		6,250.00
Total		$1,201,864.26

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 125,000.00
Surplus fund	$ 30,000.00	
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	40,052.97	70,052.97
National Bank notes outstanding		122,200.00
Due to other National Banks	$ 5,508.56	
Due to State Banks and Bankers	196.84	
Due to Trust Companies and Saving Banks	158.61	
Dividends unpaid	135.00	
Individual deposits subject to check	320,591.59	
Demand certificates of deposit	557 738.86	
Certified checks	196.33	
Cashier's checks outstanding	86.00	884,611.29
Total		$1,201,864.26

State of Penna., County of Bradford, ss:

I, U. M. Fell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. U. M. FELL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of Nov., 1904.

H. P. NEWELL, Notary Public.

My commission expires May 19, 1908.

Correct—Attest:

N. N. BETTS,
T. B. JOHNSON,
R. H. LANING, } Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK of Towanda, in the State of Pennsylvania, at the close of business Nov. 10, 1904:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$ 563,227.03
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		788.84
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation		150,000.00
U. S. Bonds on hand		7,500.00
Bonds, securities, etc		116,087.50
Banking house, furniture and fixtures		30,000.00
Other real estate owned		12,725.00
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)		7,568.16
Due from State Banks and Bankers		1,467.92
Due from approved reserve agents		73,319.30
Checks and other cash items		4,473.54
Notes of other National Banks		880.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents		342.28
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:		
Specie	$ 26,242.85	
Legal tender notes	8,500.00	34,792.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent. of circulation)		7,500.00
Total		$1,010,878.42

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$ 150,000.00
Surplus fund		22,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid		14,246.17
National Bank notes outstanding		148,500.00
Due to other National Banks		2,191.98
Due to State Banks and Bankers		90.00
Dividends unpaid		48.00
Individual deposits subject to check		264,591.90
Demand certificates of deposit		408,882.06
Certified Checks		26.90
Cashier's checks outstanding		298 41
Total		$1,010,878.42

State of Penna., County of Bradford, ss:

I, J. K. Newell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. J. K. NEWELL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of Nov. 1904.

L. M. OSBORNE, Notary Public.

My commission expires January 19, 1907.

Correct—Attest:

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PROFESSIONAL GOLFER CROOK

Stole Golf Sticks From Place Where He Was Formerly Employed—Fatally Wounded While Hunting Rabbits—Village to Be Moved.

A new bank has been organized at Hazleton to be called the Public Saving and Trust company with a capatalization of $125,000. This makes four banks for Hazleton.

Forty two thousand dollars has been subscribed toward a fund of $80,000 for a new Y. M. C. A. building at Chester.

Andrew Blair, a professional golfer, who came to this country from Scotland, pleaded guilty in criminal court at Norristown of the larceny of golf sticks from the Huntingdon Valley Country Club where he was formerly employed. He was sent to jail for three months.

John McKinley, 16 years old, of Burnham, was probably fatally wounded while hunting rabbits near his home on Tuesday. He was resting the but of his gun on a log when it slipped off, striking the hammer, The entire charge entered his right side.

Adam Wenrich, a veteran of the Mexican war, and who fought under General Scott at Vera Cruz, died at his home, near Auburn, aged 82 years. He enlisted under the assumed name of Patrick Collins, and a pension of $1,000 was granted the latter. Because he could not secure any one to vouch for him, Wenrich could not obtain the money.

A Wellsboro correspondent to the Agitator makes a very sensible complaint against a show troupe there which played and kept its banners flying while a funeral procession was passing on the same market.

The postoffices at Beaver Meadow, Lansford and Juniata have been burglarized in succession with no arrests made as yet.

A novel contest was decided Saturday at the poultry show at Wilkesbarre when the prize for the loudest crowing rooster was awarded to Dr. H. W. Young's buff Orpingon. The rooster was further honored by some lines written to it by a poet.

William S. Whitaker, aged 53 years, a prominent Democrat and formerly editor of the Venango Spectator, the Every Evening and the Daily Leader, died at Franklin Dec. 7.

Mrs. F. S. Cody, of West Manayunk, who is regarded as one of the greatest pistol shots in the country, was convicted in Criminal Court at Norristown of the larceny of coal from cars on the Reading Railway and sent to jail for thirty days.

Daniel C. Best, Senior, of Harrisburg, pleaded guilty in the United States District Court there to forging his son's government pay warrant for $30 and was sentenced to thirty days in jail and to pay a fine of $50.

The Children's Academy at Loretta, near Altoona, caught fire Thursday and the 80 children were saved by the bravery and coolness of the sisters.

Robert Dalby, a nine year old Manayunk boy, was run over and killed by a trolley car under which he had gone with an uncontrolled bob sled.

Some of the wood work in the doors of the new capitol at Harrisburg has been found not according to specifications and will be replaced.

David M. Arthur, of Williamsport, committed suicide at Muncy, where he was visiting a friend, by taking poison. Ill health was the cause.

Samuel Armstrong, aged 52 years, was attacked and probably fatally gored by an infuriated bull on his farm near Volant. He was leading the animal from the pasture field to the barn, when it knocked him down, trampling him and goring him. His son drove the bull away.

Court at Shenandoah has appointed a commission to inquire into the mental condition of Michael McAndrew, a former Philadelphia and Reading Railway engineer, who has been worrying since his locomotive killed Peter Kesserling, a crossing watchman, at Mahanoy Plane. It is believed the accident affected Mr. Andrew's mind.

Levi Mumford, whose arrest on the charge of stealing brass from a saw mill, was caused by the fact that his shoes were the only ones in the city large enough to fit the tracks found in the soft earth in the vicinity of the scene of the theft was found guilty in court at Williamsport and sentenced to a year and a half at hard labor in the penitentiary.

McKeesport is in the throes of a water famine and peddlers are reaping a harvest by getting the commodity in other places and retailing it at 5 cents per pail.

Charles F. Shoch, aged 16 years, of Pottstown, was convicted in court at Norristown on involuntary manslaughter in causing the death of Luther Chapman, aged 17 years. Shock struck Chapman at a fight and killed him.

The fine new home of the Odd Fellows lodge at Wilkesbarre is nearing completion.

Major A. B. de Saulles, general manager of the Lehigh Zinc and Iron company, whose two sons were famous Yale football stars in the 90's, employed an undertaker to inter the remains of his pet fox terrier, Tom, who died suddenly at South Bethlehem. Tom was laid in a nicely trimmed casket, which was buried beneath the oldest linden on the spacious lawn surrounding the family homestead.

Frank Kolley, an aged umbrella mender, who had been locked up at York, set fire to the lockup. The timely arrival of a chemical engine saved the lockup.

A railroader hammered at the door of Thomas Reiner's house in Ashley, and when Reiner put his head out of the window the railroader called that he had very sad news. "What is it?" asked Reiner. "Thomas Reiner has been killed by a train," said the railroader. Explanations followed and it transpired that a man struck by a train had been identified as Reiner by mistake.

A crowd of young people returning on a late trolley car at Bloomsburg from Danville were singing "When shall it Happen," when the car ran into a cow. The cow was knocked down and killed, one truck of the car was derailed and the passengers were badly shaken up.

Ex-Mayor Nichols of Wilkesbarre has announced himself as a candidate for that office again.

Turned away Saturday night from a farm house because they could not understand his gesticulations, Gustave Kohlaum, a German, was found frozen Sunday morning near Altoona, a hundred rods from the place where he tried to get shelter.

The village Monitor near Pottsville is to be moved, on account of the many caveins near it.

The late J. V. Brown has willed $400,000 to the city of Williamsport for the establishment of a public library and art gallery.

The thermometer registered 17 degrees below zero at Kamar, near Lock Haven, Sunday morning.

James B. Fisher, editor of the Village Record and former editor of the Morning News of West Chester, died Sunday of Bright's disease.

An $1800 pipe organ will be bought for the Shippensburg M. E. church, Andrew Carnegie has offered to pay $900 when the congregation provides the remaining $900.

The ex-county commissioners of Venango county have been indicted by the grand jury for violating the act of 1870 relative to bridge contracts.

William Gonsar, a Shamokin painter, got up in his sleep and climbed out on a roof. He fell to the ground and was rendered unconscious.

A thief took $110 from the choir of St. Peter's Episcopal church, at Pittsburg, while service was going on.

Charles J. McMellvain has filed a bill in equity at Norristown against the township of Lower Merion. He alleges that the township authorities have diverted a small stream so that it flows through a culvert onto plaintiff's land, damaging it.

With the good-bye kiss of his wife fresh upon his lips, Alexander Manin was crushed to death by an early morning Philadelphia and Reading express at Mahanoy City. Manin was on his way to work.

Dr. Houghton's Brother Dead.

Rev. Ross C. Houghton, D. D., L. H. D., Lit. D., oldest brother of Dr. O. A. Houghton of this place, died at his home at Malden, Mass., on Saturday, aged 67 years. The deceased was a very prominent pastor and distinguished writer. He held pastorates at Utica, Cleveland, St. Louis and Portland, Ore., and was president at one time of McKendree College at Lebanon, Ill. He was for eight years pastor of the First Congregational church at Chelsea, Mass. He wrote several books and one of them "The Women of the Orient," had a very large sale. This was written after Mr. Houghton's trip around the world as a companion to Bishop Harris of the Methodist church on the first Episcopal tour of the world. At the time of death Mr. Houghton was a lecturer on English and American literature at the Boston Preparatory institute. He was a member of the Society of Biblical Archaeology of London. The body was taken to Carthage, N. Y., for interment.

Death of Hezekiah Russell.

Hezekiah Russell, hostler at the Ward House barns, died at his rooms in the Hall house on Second street on Sunday night at 11 o'clock of pneumonia after a week's illness, aged 73 years. He came to Towanda from Wyalusing about two years ago. He was highly regarded by his employer here and a great favorite with the attaches of the hotel. He leaves a wife, and one son, living at Wyalusing. The funeral was held yesterday at Durell Center, the body being taken from the home here at 11 o'clock that morning.

Tenth Birthday.

Last week was the tenth birthday of that popular newspaper, the New Albany Mirror, published at New Albany by one F. L. Taylor. The Mirror is not a mirage. It is an oasis in the desert. It gives drink of the non-intoxicating order when one's soul is athirst from the perusal of a dry menu of the ordinary exchange. The Mirror is a bundle of brightness and its editor is one of the choice spirits of newspaperdom. Here's to the success of The Mirror and Mr. Taylor.

Bear and Deer Killed.

State Game Warden Kalbfus has asked all the deputy game wardens in the state to give him the figures as to the number of hunting camps in their districts, the number of men in them and the number of deer and bears killed this season. From his reports it is estimated that the 3,000 hunters in Pennsylvania woods this year killed at least 1,000 deer and 200 bears.

Putting Up Snow Curtains.

The Lehigh Valley railroad is installing snow curtains on all of its engines. This is in compliance with a request of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. The storm curtains are a great protection to the firemen in cold weather.

THE JOHNSON TRIAL.

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bones some of which he identified as being from a human being.

Coroner Holcomb exhibited to the jury four pieces of bone. The largest was the front of the skull of a child between the age of 10 and 15 years, with some of the teeth in it; another smaller piece was a portion of the jaw bone of an adult. Two other pieces were the second cervical vertebrae of human beings. One of a grown person and one of a child. From his examination he could not determine the sex. The charred mass he believed to be liver tissue. The bones were placed in evidence.

On cross examination Dr. Holcomb stated he was asked to make the examination by Guy C. Hollon. The question as to whether Hollon told him he was working for the reward was objected to and objection sustained.

Dr. D. L. Pratt of Towanda, followed the coroner on the stand. He assisted in the examination of the remains and identified the bones exhibited. His description of the specimens was identical with that of Dr. Holcomb, except that it was a little more explicit. Beside the bones shown there were in the box many pieces of ribs, part of long bones, the head of a thigh bone from an adult and many pieces of skull. They were the remains of two bodies, one adult and one youth. He could not determine the sex.

On cross examination he said his going was suggested by Mr. Hollon, and that nothing was said about Hollon's working for the reward.

George Sweet of Asylum, who for ten years lived in the house that was burned, made a rough draft of the same, which was identified and placed in evidence.

Mrs. Joseph Stevens testified to seeing Charles pass her house about 5 o'clock on the Sunday going toward his home. Maggie was at her house at this time. So far as the witness knew the health of Maggie and Annie was good at that time.

On cross examination by Mr. Wilson she said she had heard Maggie was subject to fits or fainting spells.

Thomas Stevens of Macedonia, brother of Joseph Stevens, and with him on the night of the fire, was called. He saw Maggie at 6:30 on the night of her death standing by her house. Annie was near Mrs. Hick's house. He said that when the fishing party reached the house it "was pretty warm." His testimony was practically the same as that of Joseph Stevens.

Alleged Bloody Stones Introduced.

The interest of spectators was quickened when Guy C. Hollon of Towanda, constable and detective, and the man most instrumental in causing the investigation, was put on the stand at 5 o'clock. His attention was called to the fire on the next afternoon. He went there on Friday afternoon, Sept. 23. Took up and brought back with him the door stones, a number of stones from the road taken from the line of the blood trail, two oil cans, an iron kettle and and old tin pail.

The offer of these stones as evidence in the case met with instant and strenuous objection from the defense and resulted in a lively tilt between counsel. Mr. Lilley contended that as evidence to convict of homicide the stones were worse than useless. That having lain for nearly five days outdoors, with numerous people about them, the court had no right to admit them as evidence. That as yet there was no evidence introduced that they were the identical stepping stones of the house—the ones the previous witnesses saw there.

The court admitted the stones as exhibits in the case and they were marked for identification by Stenographer Head.

Susan Hicks was recalled to identify the stones and the dark spots upon them, and described their relative position before the door. She also identified the small stones from the road, after which court adjourned.

FIGHTING THE CONFESSION.

Nearly All of Friday Occupied in It's Consideration.

The proceedings of Friday in the trial of Charles Johnson for murder centered around the offer of the commonwealth of the statement or confession alleged to have been made by the prisoner on the night of Oct. 25, last, the day following the habeas corpus proceedings. The admission of this statement was fought step by step by the prisoner's counsel.

At the adjournment of court that evening the statement had been offered in evidence and arguments heard both for and against its admission made. The entire afternoon session was occupied with the statement. Mr. Lilley's questions on the cross examination of Mr. Hollon were intended to show that the statement had been obtained in an unfair manner, with some inducements held out to the prisoner to make them, or under duress. He stated he proposed to go over the entire ground of Mr. Hollon's treatment of the prisoners.

His questions met with constant objection on the part of the commonwealth, renewed argument on both sides and the interchange of much sarcasm betwen counsel. Both Mr. Lilley and Mr. Wilson characterized the treatment dealt out to the accused as no better than that accorded dumb animals. Mr. Hollon was referred to as "the bloodhound of the prosecution," and an endeavor was made to show that he was working up the case in hope of securing the reward offered by the county for the apprehension of the guilty parties.

Justice Frisbie's Testimony.

The first witness Friday morning was Justice of the Peace B. Frank Frisbie of Asylum. He reached the scene of the fire on the Monday following at 10 o'clock, summoned a jury and held an inquest. He presented samples of the alleged bloody dirt and stones, the lock of the front door, which was found on the step stone, and the double-bitted axe. The axe was picked up in the ruins at a point in front of where the kitchen stove lay. These articles were offered in evidence and accepted. objection of the defense being overruled.

Robert Westbrook of Macedonia, followed Mr. Frisbie. He saw the fire about 9:45 and went there. He assisted in getting the remains from the fire. Was there the next morning and followed the blood trail. Saw blood spots in the path leading down from the step stone to the road, and was the first witness to bring these spots to a junction or connection with the spots on the door stone.

What Charles Said.

Herbert Lamb of Macedonia, was the next witness. The prisoner worked for him early last Summer. Some time in August, while working in the corn, Charles had talked with him about Maggie Johnson. At the house that day Maggie had said in the presence of the witness and his sister that "if she had married Charley instead of Bigler she would have had a good worker."

This mention of Bigler brought a vigorous objection from the prisoner's counsel. Mr. Wilson declared the commonwealth should at this time elect with what they should charge the prisoner, either as principal or accessory by conspiracy. Mr. Maxwell replied, objecting to insinuations of unfairness on part of the commonwealth and a wordy battle ensued. Objection was overruled, and the witness went on to state that after this, while in the corn field, the subject was brought up and Charles said, "God damn her, the house ought to be burned up and she with it."

On cross examination he stated that he thought Charles was joking, but in reply to the district attorney said that the prisoner used a common conversational tone.

The Prisoner's Confession.

Detective Hollon was recalled for further examination, and the offering of the prisoner's confession or statement made on Oct. 25, the day following the habeas corpus hearing in the arson cases, was taken up.

Mr. Hollon stated that on this day he went to the jail on a telephone message from the jail that the prisoner wanted to see him. Charles asked Hollon to go his bail, which he refused to do. Hollon asked him if he would make a statement to the district attorney. He consented and on that evening Mr. Hollon, J. G. Pratt and Chief Miller met the prisoner in the parlor of the jail.

Cross examined by Mr. Lilley, the witness stated that it was not through his efforts alone that the prisoners were arrested, and that he did not procure Mrs. Hicks as prosecutrix. He told Charles that he could not go his bail, and that the case looked pretty dark against him. The prisoner stated that he did not do the killing but did do the burning, going on to tell the witness what he did do. The court confined the questioning of the defense to the statement in question and overruled any questions as to how many and what other times he had secured or attempted to secure confessions from the prisoner. Mr. Lilley's questions were directed to the effort to show that undue influence on the part of the witness had been used to extort a confession. Witness did not suggest having the prisoner's attorney present, nor did he himself notify the prisoner's counsel that such a statement was to be taken.

Confession Offered as Evidence.

Mr. Hollon was on the stand at the opening of the afternoon session. The court ruled to allow the cross examination to show if any hope of benefit was held out, or duress employed in securing the statement. Mr. Hollon corrected his previous testimony to the effect that the district attorney was present when it was taken.

Mr. Lilley then resumed his questions regarding Mr. Hollon's connection with the case, beginning with the first time he saw Charles after the fire, taking it up step by step through the arrest, the bringing of the prisoner to Towanda, securing his photograph, the various interviews in Hollon's office, the commitment to jail, the hearing before Justice Orcutt, the subsequent interviews in Hollon's office and in he jail. Mr. Hollon stated he was expecting the whole or a part of the reward in event of conviction, but that he first became interested in the case as a citizen and officer as soon as he heard of the crime, and not in hope of the reward. Also that he had never received a reward from Bradford county.

Under the repeated questions as to why he first took the prisoners to his own office instead of to the office of Justice Orcutt Mr. Hollon stated that he did so because he first wished to get if possible a confession from them.

S. H. Smith, Esq., of counsel for the commonwealth, was present at some of these interviews and Mr. Lilley asked the witness if Mr. Smith did not say in the presence of the prisoner to the sheriff, "Take the man out and hang him," and "there is evidence enough to hang them." To both Mr. Hollon replied emphatically "No."

At these interviews the prisoner was not represented by counsel, and at one of them, at 11:30 at night, Mr. Wilson appeared at Mr. Hollon's office and demanded to know what they were doing with his client. Witness gave no orders not to admit Wilson to his office and would not admit that the door was slammed in that gentleman's face.

Questioned as to having placed the prisoners in the so called "dungeon" in the cellar of the jail, Mr. Hollon stated that partly through his instrumentality Mrs. Merritt and Charles were placed in this basement cell, which had been provided with a fake door of velvet, and a stenographer and another man stationed there to overhear any incriminating conversation they might have. Bigler was later also put into the cell.

In endeavoring to get Charles to confess he had told him that some of the others had implicated him. He told Charles who had done so, and later Bigler had personally in the presence of the others accused Charles of the deed. Charley partially denied his guilt, and admitted complicity, declared the witness. Stenographic reports of these interviews were made by Joseph A. Head, now ill with typhoid fever in Syracuse, and Joseph G. Pratt.

Statement Identified.

Joseph G. Pratt of Towanda, the stenographer who took down the statement of Charles Johnson in the jail parlor on the evening of Oct. 25, was then sworn. Sheriff Robinson brought in the prisoner; Hollon, Miller, the sheriff and himself were present.

The statement was then offered in evidence. It was objected to as incompetent to convict the prisoner. Mr. Lilley and Mr. Wilson spoke against its admissability, and Mr. Maxwell and the district attorney replied.

AN AWFUL STORY.

The Prisoner's Detailed Statement of the Killing and Burning.

The confession of Charles Johnson that he was an accomplice in the murder of Maggie B. Johnson, in that after the actual killing he set fire to and burned her dwelling, was on Saturday forenoon admitted in evilence on his trial for murder and was read in full by Stenographer Joseph G. Pratt who took it from the prisoner's lips on the evening of Oct. 25, last, in the parlor of the county jail.

The Prisoner's Confession.

Stenographer J. G. Pratt was on the stand at the opening of court on Saturday morning. He stated that Mr. Hollon had offered the prisoner no hope or inducement. That he reduced his notes of the examination to writing and that early the next afternoon he, the district attorney, Justice of the Peace Meredith and Herbert I. Graves went to the jail for the purpose of having the prisoner sign and swear to the statement. The statement was read to him a sentence at a time and he was asked if it was right, to which he every time replied, "Yes." He said in answer to the questions that there was nothing in it he wished left out, nor nothing out he wished put in.

It was explained to him by Mr. Mills and Mr. Meredith that he did not have to sign unless he wanted to. The prisoner took the pen, started to sign, hesitated and finally said, "I have never signed a thing like this, and I don't believe I will sign it." Again a summary of this statement covering eight pages was presented to him, but he declined to sign it.

Synopsis of the Confession.

Bigler first spoke to the prisoner about the matter on the Sunday of the fire while they were coming down from the depot in Towanda. Bigler told him that he and their mother were to put Maggie out of the way; that Nancy was to stand outside. That he would give the prisoner and Alanson $3 if they would burn the house, threatening to get him into it anyway. Charles contended they would be found out, and Bigler declared they would not.

Bigler said they would all be at the little bridge waiting for him about half past eight. When Charles reached there from his place of employment at Will Benjamin's the four were waiting for him. Bigler reached in his pocket and gave him a handful of matches. He asked them not to go fast, so that he might go to the house, change his clothes and get to Towanda. Bigler came back from the house and told him and Alanson to wait three-quarters of an hour to give him a chance to get to Towanda. They did wait that length of time.

They found the two oil cans outside of the door beside the house where Mrs. Merritt had told them they were. Raised five windows and poured the oil on the carpets and on the bed and also on the outside of the house; threw in lighted matches and walked away. At Lamb's corner looked back and saw the blaze. Met no one on their way across the fields.

Bigler told him they had killed them. Prisoner did not see the bodies. Used all the oil in the cans, but did not know which lit the first match. He and Alanson went from the house together. He got home to Will Benjamin's after going to his mother's house, about 11 o'clock. Left Benjamin's to meet the family about 8:30.

His mother and Bigler both told him what had been done. His mother said, "We have got rid of them," and Bigler repeated the same in substance. They told him that Bigler had killed Maggie and that Mrs. Merritt had caught Annie. The four had just come from the house of Maggie when he met them at the bridge. They said nothing about Alanson's connection with the killing, and he saw no blood upon them.

His mother was afraid the little girl would know them and tell. His mother said she caught Annie and brought her back. Bigler said he killed Mag. Said he had an axe. Bigler went to within five rods of the house to see if Maggie was there. They set fire to both ends of the house. Prisoner did not look for the dead bodies; did not like to see dead people. His mother never said if Maggie fought for her life.

Stains Accounted For.

In the confession Charles stated that the red stains found upon the clothing worn by him that day were received while painting a boat for Stephen Sullivan at Wysox some time before.

He was upstairs in the Merritt house and overheard the four others talking about the job. Was not away from Will Benjamin's at any time on the following Monday and not until afternoon on Tuesday. Next saw his mother on the Thursday following the fire. On Wednesday after he came to Towanda and bought a suit of clothes at Marks's store; changed his clothes at the home of his sister in Towanda and went to the fair.

Mrs. Merritt came to Will Benjamin's on the Sunday night following the fire, called him out of bed and told him that Miller and Hollon were hunting for blood stained clothing, and that if they asked him about it not to say anything. He replied to her that if they asked him he would tell the truth; that he would not lie about it. Heard nothing said about a butcher knife. His mother said she burned her clothes. Did not know what was done with the clothes found by Mrs. Moses Benjamin near the apple tree.

There was no cross examination at this time.

Tracing the Alleged Murderers.

At the conclusion of the confession the comonwealth took up the task of tracing the alleged murderers to the vicinity of Maggie Johnson's house. Ivan Powers, a member of the coroner's jury was first called. He found the remains of the lamps in the ruins one in front of the kitchen stove and one in the cellar under the "L" part of the house.

On the Sunday night of the fire, between 6 and 7 o'clock, the witness from the back porch of his house saw Bigler going across the fields towards Mag's house; last saw him about one-fourth mile from there. A day or two after the inquest he followed the tracks of Bigler from a point some 6 to 10 rods above Mag's house. Witness could not identify the door stones.

On this Sunday night a little after Bigler was in the field, he saw Mrs. Merritt, Alanson and Nancy go past his house toward Wysox; it was just at dusk. On cross examination he said they were not outside the highway; that it was between 15 and 30 minutes after Bigler went by. Thought Bigler was drunk. Could not remember what he testified to in this matter before the justice. Followed the tracks to satisfy his own curiosity.

Thomas Stevens, while riding along the road from Wysox to the Merritt house with his wife, his brother Joseph and Fred Coolbaugh, saw the woman and two children at 7:45. They made no attempt at concealment and had gone past the lane leading down to the river road, which would be the nearest route to Mag's house. Mrs. Thomas Stevens was called, but was not questioned, the defense admitting the presence of the three at that point at the time.

That Glittering Object.

Eugene Benjamin, for whom Hank Merritt worked, saw Mrs. Merritt and the children pass his house about 6 o'clock, going toward Wysox. Saw Nancy drop something in the road, pick it up and roll it in a handkerchief. It resembled a knife or pair of shears and glittered. He saw Charles going toward home about 5 o'clock.

Jennie Chilson, of Wysox, met Bigler on the Wysox bridge about 15 minutes before 6 that evening. He was carrying nothing.

Miss Marion Storrs, whose home is but a short distance from the Merritt house was called. She was asked if she drove by the Merritt house early on Monday morning and replied that she went by there about 1 o'clock in the afternoon. No further questions were asked.

MONDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Bloody Clothing of Charley Is Offered In Evidence.

The second week of the trial of Charles Johnson for the Macedonia murder began Monday morning a few minutes after 9 o'clock. The forenoon was devoid of sensations, except that the clothing admitted by the defendant to have been worn by him on the day of the fire and the three succeeding days was put in evidence and the stains upon them declared to be blood. What kind of blood it is was not determined.

The prisoner presented a greatly improved appearance. He wore a new pair of shoes, a clean white collar and neat black tie and a pair of white cuffs. His general demeanor of stolid indifference or lack of appreciation of the situation remained with him.

The first witness of the morning was Miss Frances Williams. On the Sunday night of the fire she and her sister and another young lady were walking toward Macedonia. Met Mrs. Merritt, Alanson and Nancy at the Wysox bridge going toward Wysox; returning met them going toward home. This was about 6:30.

Frank McNamara of Ward avenue, Towanda, saw the prisoner and Bigler go to their sister Dolly's house on the Sunday afternoon.

Justice of the Peace John Meredith went with the others to the jail to take Charley's acknowledgement of the confession. Detailed the conversation. Prisoner said "It is all true," and afterward "I won't sign it."

Bundle of Bloody Clothes.

Mrs. Moses Benjamin of Asylum, the woman who found the bundle of bloody clothes near the Merritt house on the Monday morning, was sworn. Merritt's lived on farm of the witness, quarter of a mile away. Found a bundle of clothes under a small grapevine on the bank of a little run, a short distance from the apple tree to which she went. Poked it open with a stick and disclosed a pair of overalls and a dark calico dress stained with fresh blood. She poked it back with a stick, and about 5 o'clock in the afternoon went again to look for them and they had been removed.

On cross examination Mrs. Benjamin said she first told her husband of the find and later told G. C. Hollon. After that she refused to give the prisoner's attorney any information about it. She indignantly denied making up the story from her own imagination.

Stains Declared to Be Blood.

M. E. Miller, chief of police of Towanda, who assisted in the arrest of the prisoner, was called and produced the jacket and overalls worn by Charles on the Sunday and the three following days. Procured them at the house of the prisoner's sister, Dolly Thompson, in Towanda. Charles identified them as his and told what was in the pockets. First said the stains upon them were from milking cows and later told the story about painting the boat at Wysox. A piece was cut from them and given to Dr. S. M. Woodburn for examination.

Dr. S. M. Woodburn was called, identified the garments and the pieces he took from them, and through the questions of Mr. Wilson on cross examination qualified as to his competency. He made a miscroscopical examination of the stains and pronounced them to be blood. He detailed his method of this examination. He also examined the garments and stated that in his judgment there was blood upon them.

He was followed by Dr. Chas. M. Woodburn, his son, who had examined the slides prepared by his father. He found red blood corpuscles. Impossible for him to state if they were of human blood.

Dr. D. L. Pratt identified a pack of cards taken from the pocket of the jacket. Upon one he found what in his opinion was a spot of blood. Gave as his opinion that the stains upon the clothing were blood, and that the garments had been washed since the stains were received.

Gershon Barnes, a near neighbor of the Merritts, was called but was withdrawn for the time being, and the noon adjournment was taken.

Monday Afternoon.

During the whole of the afternoon session Monday no material testimony was brought out. Asa Benjamin, a boy living near the Merritts, saw Mrs. Merritt and the two younger children going toward Wysox. He was much confused in his answers. Saw the three talking with little Annie in the road that day between 4 and 6 o'clock.

Mrs. Hicks was recalled to testify that her sister had two keys to the front door one of which was kept in the door and one in a pocket book in her bedroom. Thomas Benjamin was recalled to identify the step stone of the house.

Another Confession.

Chief Miller was recalled to identify the stones. He was examined as to his connection with the arrest and the various confessions or statements made by the prisoner, it being the purpose of the commonwealth to introduce a statement made by him Sept. 28. The crossexamination led through all the devious ways previously traversed with Mr. Hollon in putting in the confession already in evidence, and when court adjourned at 5:30 in the evening he was still on the stand.

The afternoon was largely taken up with arguments on the part of the attorneys, offers being required after almost every question. Mr. Miller could not separate the statements the prisoner had made, and the defense objected to these questions unless the witness could particularize as to the time, place and circumstances of the alleged conversations.

Mr. Lilley asked that the commonwealth be required to furnish the defense with the statement in question. The district attorney characterized as most audacious and absurd the proposition that they should be required to furnish a cudgel with which they might be knocked over the head. An early adjournment was taken that this point might be considered.

Prisoner's First Story.

The confession in question was the first detailed statement made by the prisoner, and in it he related the story as he claimed his mother told it to him on the morning following the fire at about 8 o'clock at her home.

At this conversation of Sept. 28 Bigler had told the prisoner to his face that Charley and their mother had done the killing. Charles denied it and accused Bigler.

Charles in this statement said his mother told him that she struck down Mag; that Annie ran out and that she chased her down, brought her back and threw her on the bed. Then followed the kerosene and fire. His mother described the two cans of oil to him.

On Saturday night before the fire he overheard his mother, Bigler, Alanson and Nancy talking about it; said they would put Mag out of the way. Charles also said that two weeks before the crime he overheard Mrs. Merritt, Nancy, Alanson and Etta Benjamin talking about putting Mag out of the way so Bigler would not have to help support her. His mother had

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CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS.

Christmas is less that two weeks away. The stores are in holiday attire and Christmas shoppers are already preparing for the great present giving occasion of the year. A few words then touching this subject may not be amiss. What this paper wishes to say may be summarized in a single sentence. Buy your Christmas presents early and at home.

To elaborate this thought a few words are necessary. Patronize your home merchants. No town has larger, finer or more up to date stores. Here rents and other expenses are lower and prices are less. There is no need unless the articles needed are exceptional, of going out of town to do your Christmas shopping. Those who buy at home will find themselves just as well, if not better, off than those who pay their fare to other cities and come back loaded with Christmas wares and out of temper because of disagreeable experiences, with which, perhaps, may mingle the regret that they have been swindled by strangers whom they never expect to see again and who will not make good mistakes and losses.

Finally, do not put off your Christmas buying until the crush of the last moment. Shopping that is done early is the most satisfactory. In the first place, you have a better assortment to select from. Those who put off their Christmas buying until the last, half kill themselves in the crowd and fretting over the inability of the weary shop girl to wait on everybody at once, are apt to make a hurried selection and miss the real spirit of the season. Buy early and at home.

The husbands of Columbus women evidently need watching. A society was formed there four years ago, called the the Anti-Women Stenographers' society for the purpose of fostering sentiment against girls being employed as stenographers in business offices. The society has gathered some very alarming statistics to the effect that in the last ten years 796 employers in this country were made defendants in breach of promise suits instituted by their stenographers and in the same length of time 6,263 divorce cases have been filed by wives naming stenographers of their husbands as correspondents. In light of the statistics that have been gathered the women of Columbus have some cause of watching out for the welfare of their husbands. Besides being proficient in short hand, schools should teach their fair young graduates not to look with covetous eyes upon other women's lawful husbands.

As a warning to the aspirants for Senator Cockrell's seat, Governor-elect Folk, of Missouri, has issued a statement in which he says there will be trouble in Jefferson City if any legislator is suspected of taking money or any sort of consideration or gift in connection with the caucus nomination or election of a United States Senator. "If necessary, I will take charge of the investigation, myself and run every rumor down. I propose to see personally to it that corrupt legislators, if there are any, are exposed and punished. Members-elect cannot take advantage of the fact that they have not been sworn in. The consummation of any contract they might make before they are sworn in would come under the provisions of the statutes."

It is estimated that it will require nearly 7,000,000,000 postage stamps of all denominations to supply the needs of the people of the United States during the present year. More than 20,000,000 are daily printed by the Bureau of Engraving and Printing, and the daily shipments to the 71,131 postoffices run from 10,000,000 to 70,000,000. This immense distribution of stamps is the best possible evidence of the country's present and increasing prosperity. Ten years ago the postal receipts were only about $75,000,000; now they are $140,000,000, and may reach $200,000,000 before the close of President Roosevelt's next administration.

The Towanda borough council on Thursday night passed the ordinance requiring the testing of herds supplying milk to Towanda borough. It is a wise measure and this paper predicts that many other towns will soon follow suit as soon as the Towanda ordinance is noised abroad.

The friends of Mrs. Cassie Chadwick seemed to have been duped by the light that lies in women's eyes, and it lies and it lies and it lies.

Ex-Auditor General E. B. Hardenberg has taken up his residence in his newly purchased property in the city of Philadelphia. This is taken to mean that he has taken his first big step toward launching his candidacy for state treasurer. Mr. Hardenberg will undoubtedly make a vigorous fight for the Republican nomination.

Dr. John B. Murphy, who has just been reporting on 2,000 cases of appendicitis and stands a chance of knowing something of what he is talking about, states that but two cases out of the 2,000 showed any foreign body in the appendix. This would seem to indicate that if a person likes grapes he may eat them without running any great chance of getting sliced up for appendicitis.

The lodge goat has issued triumphant in a suit at Middletown, Conn. It appears that one John Hunns was initiated into the local Aerie of the Order of Eagles at that place. He evidently didn't like it as he had the degree team arrested for assault. The jury agreed that the goat had a right to be a butter and found the degree team not guilty. Long live the lodge goat and may it have many little kids.

The national government may take a hand in the good roads movement. The Latimer bill to spend $24,000,000 for that purpose is said to be regarded with favor. If the bill becomes law the money will be divided between the states in proportion to the number of inhabitants. Each state will contribute as much as it receives from the national appropriation. The amount to be spent will therefore be $48,000,000.

Prize fighters are on to their jobs. Instead of pounding each other into insensibility they have discovered that they can make just as much money by giving a fake fight. It is said that Tommy Ryan admits that his recent affair with Jack Root was a fake, per agreement. This method of settling these little disputes is recommended to college foot ball teams and to the billegerent class of citizens generally.

The public now will have to keep an eye out for raised ten dollars bills. A $1 silver certificate issued by the Government raised to $10 was detected and refused at the First National Bank of Montrose last week. To do this raising it had been necessary to remove or cover the figure $1 in 8 places on the face of note and 9 on places on the back, and the word "one" in 7 places on the face and 6 on the back, and also to substitute the word "ten" and figure $10 in 13 places on the face of note and 9 on back. The note was easily detected by one familiar with the issue of $1 silver certificates by noting the figure of the American eagle with wings outstretched in the centre of face of note, which does not belong in any other issue of notes.

All Run Down

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At Plattsburg, N. Y., it is reported that the Armour & Company and the Swift meat combines are waging a warfare and that cut prices had resulted. Up to the time of going to press not a single resident of Plattsburg who buys meat has registered a kick.

The attractice decorating of stores for Christmas is a good thing to draw trade. But well written advertisements with enough time spent on them to make them attractive will do more in the trade drawing line. Merchants as a rule pay too little attention to the writing up of their advertisements. It would pay good dividends.

Nearly 8,000 persons in the five boroughs of New York were reported to the police and health authorities during the past year to have met with accidental deaths or to be unaccountably missing. This is the astonishing revelation disclosed in the mortuary report filed a few days ago with the Department of Health. It suggests the startling question whether death and danger are more native to peace than to war.

They have a nice state of affairs in Venango County. The agents of four bridge companies have been indicted for conspiracy to defraud the county. According to the allegation, three of the agents bid over $80,000 each for the contract of a bridge. The fourth agent bid $79,900, and received the contract. The charge is that the successful bidder paid the other three $4,800 to bid above him. The grand jury returned true bills in the cases at the direction of the court.—Wilkesbarre Record.

While buttermilk has hitherto been a waste product at the great creameries and a puzzle how to be gotten rid of, one Frank Philippson, a Dane up in Dubuque, Iowa, now promises to revolutionize the whole creamery business of the Northwest. He is a chemist, and announces that he has discovered processes by which he can make out of buttermilk glue, cheese, ice cream, mucilage and different drinks. In short Mr. Philipson proposes to show the creameries that their greatest fortune lies in their buttermilk.

C. J. Murphy, a prominent citizen of Minneapolis, argues that the high price of wheat should induce people to get accustomed to corn products on their bill of fare. "If the people would learn to eat more corn," he says, "it would be much to their benefit, both from an economical point of view and as a matter of health. I have spent 18 years of the best years of my life teaching the people of Europe the value of our corn as human food, and now more corn is used in Belgium and Ireland as human food than we use in the United States." At least the experiment is worth trying.

DEEDS RECORDED.

With Location of Lands, Names of Parties and Considerations.

Springfield twp—Nov. 14, 1904. Charles H. Lefler and wife to Burton F. Bennett; 20 acres, $300.

Burlington twp—April 21, 1904. C. L. Brown and wife to Lloyd L. Brown; 69 acres, $1,600.

Burlington twp—Nov. 21, 1904. Eliza C. Darrow to Sherman G. and Riley C. Selleck; 96 acres, $323.

South Waverly boro—Oct. 29, 1904. Maud and James C. Struble to Marian Park; lot, $249.

Ridgebury twp—Aug. 1, 1904. William Easton and wife to John L. Easton; 31¾ acres, $100.

South Creek and Ridgebury twps. August 1, 1904. J. L. Easton and wife to William Easton; 110 acres, $100.

Towanda boro—Nov. 21, 1904. Harry W. McIntyre to James F. Hees; lot, $300.

Towanda twp—Nov. 22, 1904. Guy C. Hollon to Delanson Fenner; lot, $400.

Tuscarora twp—May 24, 1904. John Rought to Susan Johnson; 30 acres, $850.

South Waverly boro—Nov. 1, 1904. Bridget Moore to Thomas J. Moore; lot, $1.

Sayre boro—Oct. 28, 1904. Clara A. and E. P. Tewksbury to Edna B. Elsbree; lot, $240.

South Creek twp—Oct. 28, 1904. John L. Ferguson and wife to Isaac Craig; 35 5-10 acres, $887.

Orwell twp—April 9, 1904. J. P. Coburn and wife to William K. Frisbie; 3¾ acres, $775.

Sheshequin twp—Nov. 14, 1904. Ada L. Conrad to Abigail M. Billings; 9 acres, 116 rods, $225.

Canton twp—Oct. 19, 1904. Peter T. Kilborn and others to Mary J. Kilborn; 140 perches, $400.

Sayre boro—Nov. 18, 1904. William A. Hannis and wife to The Sayre Land company; lot, $2,000.

Granville twp—Sept. 14, 1904. B. C. Fairbanks and wife to Frank Carey; lots, $2,000.

Sayre boro—Nov. 12, 1904. John V. Westfall and wife to Frederick H. Johnston; lot, $1.

Fine Organ at Elmira.

As an additional tribute to the memory of their late pastor, the beloved Thomas K. Beecher, the people of the Park church have raised a fund of $13,000 by subscription for the purpose of installing one of the finest church organs in this country.

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An Invitation to Dine.

"San Francisco is only an hour's journey from Baltimore, comparatively speaking," said a resident of the City of the Golden Gate. "In the old days it took a month to cross the plains, and you risked your life to round Cape Horn. Now you board a comfortable Pullman in Baltimore at 4 o'clock in the afternoon and take dinner at 6 in Frisco—almost. And since the days of rapid railroad transit have begun the Pacific coast has not been so far out of the world as one might imagine who had not taken the trip. Why, I remember when people read with awe of thrilling journeys all the way from the eastern coast towns to Pittsburg and when a man would shudder his teeth loose with just thinking of the terrible trip to Chicago, while to mention Salt Lake City or Denver would bring up hideous visions of starless nights on arid deserts and wholesale massacres by red demons. And, speaking of red demons, I think the cigar store Indian has done much to overcome eastern fear of the noble red man, standing in innocent bravery all day long, with a wooden hatchet in one hand and a bunch of cigars in the other.

"But what was I talking about? Oh, yes—Frisco being so close to Baltimore. Come out some Sunday and take dinner with me!"—Baltimore News.

An English Sporting Event.

A notable sporting event came off at York, England, in 1804. The wife of Colonel Thornton, a well known sportsman, had backed herself to race against Mr. Flint for 500 guineas a side. The crowd was estimated at 100,000. For three miles Mrs. Thornton led, but her horse had "much the shorter strake of the two," and Mr. Flint then forged ahead, and Mrs. Thornton gave up in mercy to her horse. She was much less tender to Mr. Flint. A few days later the York Herald contained a letter from her, accusing him of lack of gallantry in refusing to allow a gentleman to ride round with her, so as to be handy for the reserve if her saddle slipped round, as it had done a few days before; in saying, "Keep that side, ma'am," gruffly to her at the starting point, and in beating her as badly as he could. She defiantly challenged him again for next year.—London Chronicle.

Surgery by Hand and Foot.

Surgery in the sixteenth century was not the refined science of the present day. Anaesthetics and antiseptics were unknown, and the battlefield operating theater was often just where the patient fell.

In one of the many battles in which the fighting Duke of Guise engaged he was knocked down by one of the enemy's arrows, which pierced his head between the nose and one of the eyes.

Pare, the famous French surgeon, was on the field, and he immediately put his foot on the duke's face and drew the arrow out by sheer brute force.

The operation inconvenienced the duke somewhat, but he survived it and lived to be assassinated.

Talma on Balloons.

In an interesting old letter dated 1784 Talma, the French tragedian, discusses the future of balloons. At that period aeronauts were regarded as strange folk, but few people could resist the fascination of a voyage through the air, expensive and dangerous though it was. Talma remarks in this letter that "we are promised many advantages through the means of these balloonists. The most distant objects will be presented to the mind of the traveler almost in a glance. Where will it lead us—to the moon? They speak of a world in that planet. What vast fields are opening before us!"

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Boys of the Elmira Free Academy are to give a minstrel entertainment.

Mrs. Frank E. Kilmer is very ill with pneumonia at her home on Walnut street.

Miss Atlanta Coffee pleaded guilty to shoplifting at Elmira and paid a fine of $50.

The History club will meet with Mrs. C. T. Kirby Wednesday of next week, Dec. 21.

Born, at Liberty Corners, Monday, Dec. 1, to Mr. and Mrs. William Harris, a daughter.

Merritt Edgerton, of Voltus, has lost two good horses within a week from distemper.

Mrs. Clapp is very ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. L. M. Osborne on Cherry street.

A total of eight murders within three weeks is the record in Scranton and vicinity.

The recent charity ball at Owego for the benefit of the Home Relief society netted $92.

Boys in Tunkhannock township stoned out windows and had to pay $25 for their fun.

About 150 new garments have been contributed to the poor by Mansfield's Needlework Guild.

Why not send away a fancy calendar for 1905. We have some beauties. Boyle's Book store.

Raymond Pfiffer, the Elmira woman grabber, was sentenced to spend six months in the Chemung county jail.

Mail subscribers can get the Towanda Daily Review for $2.25 a year on Dec. 29 only. Read ad on page four.

Hugh Lennon of Sayre has announced himself as a candiate as jury commissioner to succeed the late Harry S. Stevens.

Williamsport is very proud of the fact that she stands only tenth in regard the death rate among 54 cities of the United States.

We pride ourselves on our assortment of toys and games. This year we still lead in quality if not quantity. Boyle's Book store.

Mrs. Frank Gregg of Philadelphia, who was called here two weeks ago by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Hiram Baker, returned to her home on Monday.

We still have the old reliable Excelsior dairy for 1905. We have in stock almost everything in diaries and at all prices. Boyle's Book store.

The report of the secretary of the Chenango County Agricultural association made at the annual meeting last week, shows a balance for last year of $13.16.

Fire damaged the Academy of Music building at Norwich, N. Y., to the extent of $24,000. Sixty girls who rehearsing at the time escaped from the burning building.

George W. Guthrie of Pittsburg was elected grand junior warden of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Dec. 7 on the second ballot, defeating W. L. Gorgas of Harrisburg by a vote of 4,407 to 3,549.

William Merrick of East Mauch Chunk, a well known baggagemaster on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, recently celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday anniversary and is at present enjoying good health.

Vaughn Huffard, one of Tunkhannock's enterprising boys, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Hufford, was reelected county surveyor on the Republican ticket at Evanston, Wyoming, at the November election.

Conductor Jeremiah Snyder, Rear Brakeman John Green of Savona were killed and Engineer Amos Decker of Elmira was injured in a wreck on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western road on Saturday night near Bath.

Alfred Dennison, aged 60 years, was found dead near Conklin, Broome county, N. Y., lying on the ice in a creek under an open culvert. It is supposed that he fell through the culvert in the darkness at night.

Frank Lawrence, one of Rutland's most prominent and highly esteemed citizens, passed away at his home on Sunday, Dec. 6, following an illness of several weeks of blood poisoning, resulting from carbunkles.

Thirteen boilermakers at the American Locomotive Works at Scranton have quit work because they were assigned to repair Erie engines, sent there from the Susquehanna shops, where there is an alleged lockout.

"There should be" says the Lawrenceville Herald, a "farmers' union at this point to which every farmer in Tioga and Steuben counties should belong and which should sell almost all the products of said territory."

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Fisher of Canton, China, announce the birth to them on Nov. 1 of a son, John Elliott Fisher. Mrs. Fisher is a sister of Mrs. U. M. Fell of Towanda, and went to China as a missionary under the Presbyterian board.

In court at Wilkesbarre the jury in the case of E. N. Alexander vs. the Nanticoke Electric Light Co., an action to recover $50,000 damages for injuries received by the plaintiff who received an electric shock while turning the current on an electric lamp, rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for $500.

ENTERTAINMENT COURSE.

Will Be Given Under Auspices of Towanda Public Schools.

Professor J. H. Humphries of the Towanda public schools has about completed arrangements for a very attractive entertainment course to be given in Towanda during the next few months. The schedule as now arranged will be as follows: Feb. 20—Ross Crane, cartoonist, musician, etc., or the Rogers-Grilley combination; March 1—The Copley Square Trio, musical entertainers; March 14—The Ariel Ladies Quartet, vocal and instrumental artists; April 3—The Ernest Gamble Concert company.

Several of these attractions are already familiar to Towanda audiences and are of the best on the road. The price for the course of four entertainments will be placed at $1 with 50 cents additional for reserved seats for the course. The intention of Mr. Humphries is to provide an interesting series of entertainments especially for the pupils of the schools to whom a special price will be given. The public, however, will be cordially welcomed in the purchase of seats and there is no doubt that the course will be largely patronized.

THE NEW BISHOP.

Will Dr. Manning Accept at a Reduction of $4,000.

Considerable speculation is indulged in over the question whether Rev. Dr. William T. Manning, of New York, will accept the bishopric of the newly erected diocese of Harrisburg. Archdeacon Radcliffe has made the following interesting statement regarding the matter:

"Dr. Manning will be notified by the committee on Dec. 13, and it is supposed he will give them his answer whether he will accept. He is at present getting a salary of $8,000 a year, and we are asking him to give this up and work for $4,000, and besides that he is in direct line to become rector of Trinity church, which is the most influential Episcopal church in the world. Dr. Manning is a strong man and the diocese will indeed be fortunate if they secure him for a pastor."

Clean Foot Ball.

On Thanksgiving Day a foot ball team from Elmira came up and played the Ithaca team that calls itself "The First Ward Irish." There wasn't a university man among them. Both elevens were composed of hard working young fellows, who play the game as a recreation. The contest as they played it here was one of the cleanest, fairest, squarest games ever played in these parts. There was no ill-feeling, no slugging, no efforts to "lay out" an opponent. The men who played were evidently true sportsmen. It is not pleasant to have to say that a great many college and university players in this country give no indication that they have the remotest notion of what real sportsmanship is.—Ithaca Journal.

Bee Keepers Session.

The first annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Bee keepers association closed Dec. 7 at Harrisburg, after interesting papers had been read by Frank Benton, of Washington, D. C., general manager of the National Bee-keepers' association; O. C. Fuller, of Northumberland; Gabriel Hiester, of Harrisburg, and E. L. Pratt, of Swarthmore. Resolutions asking the next legislature to make an appropriation for the suppression of bee diseases and the advancement of bee-keeping in Pennsylvania were adopted.

Boy Gets Insurance.

M. H. Larkin of Elmira, was in Owego last week for the purpose of paying over to the trustee under the will of the late Williard H. Densmore, who committed suicide at Elmira last Summer, $1,200, the sum payable to the trustee of his infant child, Elmer Densmore, under a policy of insurance held in the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. That amount will be invested for the benefit of the child.

Visits Boyhood Home.

George Bottcher goes to New York the first of next week and Thursday or Saturday will sail for Europe on one of the boats belonging to the Hamburg-American line. He will land at Hamburg, Germany, the home of his boyhood and will spend about two months visiting friends and relatives in his fatherland. Thirty-two years ago Mr. Bottcher came to this country.—Troy Gazette.

Death of George Sickler.

George Sickler, for many years a resident of Towanda township, died at 3 o'clock Sunday morning from a stroke of paralysis, aged over 70 years. He is survived by several sons. Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the home of his son in South Towanda; interment in Riverside cemetery.

The Industrial School.

That splendid institution, the Industrial school, was again largely attended on Saturday. The teachers in charge of the school, who have been most faithful in the good work, are planning to have a nice Christmas for the children and it is hoped that any who are called on for contributions will respond generously.

Visiting Here.

Robert M. Watson and son, Robert of Tahoe City, Cal., are visiting friends and relatives in Monroeton and Ulster. This is the gentleman's second visit home since going to California in 1875. In the meantime he has been to Alaska twice staying three and one half years each time.

Legal blanks at this office.

DEATH OF ROBERT H. SPALDING.

Successful Business Man Succumbed on Saturday to Heart Disease.

Robert Hanson Spalding, oldest son of Mrs. Frances Spalding of Towanda, died suddenly on Saturday morning at his apartments in New York city, of heart disease. He had been ill but a few hours.

Mr. Spalding was born in Towanda on April 5, 1865. As a young man he located in Wilkesbarre and was for several years connected with the theatres in that city. Later he became associated with M. B. Houpt & Co. of that city, manufacturers of house finishings. He went to New York to take charge of their sales department, and later engaged for himself as a building contractor on a large scale in that city. He was successful and built three of the largest and finest apartment houses in that city, the Hotel Collingwood, the Ganoga and the Hotel Spalding.

Mr. Spalding married Miss Jessie Laraway of Wilkesbarre, who died in Towanda in August 1903. He is survived by his mother and one sister, Mrs. Chas. M. Evans of Towanda, and one brother, E. A. Spalding of New York.

Funeral services were held in New York on Sunday afternoon, and the body was brought to Wilkesbarre for interment, where services were held Monday afternoon at 3:30.

SONS OF VETERANS.

List of Officers Chosen for the Ensuing Year.

The following officers for the ensuing year were chosen at the meeting of Watkins Camp, No. 75, Sons of Veterans of Towanda last week Tuesday night and will be installed at the meeting on the first Tuesday in January:

Commander—F. B. Lyke.

Senior Vice Commander—Dale E. Kirby.

Junior Vice Commander—N. A. Brutzman.

Camp Council—James A. Vincent, E. W. Horton, W. E. Kinsley.

Delegate at Large—Edgar Lane.

Alternate—Dale E. Kirby.

Delegate—Elliott Henley.

Alternate—N. A. Brutzman.

Mehoopany Arson Case.

Edward Veargeson, of Mehoopany, was found not guilty of a charge of arson in criimnal court at Bloomsburg. Veargeson was accused of setting fire to a house in Berwick which he had been employed to paint and which was owned by Dr. T. Gray Merritt, a prominent physician of Mehoopany. Dr. Merritt is under bail on a charge of arson, being accused of conspiring with Veargeson to burn the building in order to collect the fire insurance. The case against him has been continued until the February term of court and probably will be dropped.

A Brutal Father.

John Hollenback was brought from Candor to the county jail at Owego to begin a sentence of 30 days, having been convicted of assault in the third degree. The assault was committed upon his 10-year-old son and was a very brutal one. It appeared at the trial that he had beaten the boy's head against the sides of a hot stove. The citizens of Candor were very indigant over the maltreatment of the boy, who was burned somewhat, but not seriously.

Lake Carey Hotel Sold.

The hotel at Lake Carey, known as the Ferncliff house, was sold at sheriff's sale at the court house at Tunkhannock on Saturday afternoon, on a mortgage held by W. L. Reader, of Wilkesbarre. The property was knocked down to the plaintiff in the writ for $3,000. It is reported that John Reddington, the Wilkesbarre hotel man, will eventually become the proprietor, and will conduct the business during the next season.

Does Detective Work.

Rev. J. H. Dougherty of Tyrone, formerly of the M. E. church in Hughesville, created a sensation at Tyrone by detecting an alleged fleece game that was attempted upon several Tyrone and Altoona ministers by a woman. He caused her arrest when she attempted, as alleged, to fleece him by borrowing money with which to bury her husband who she pretended had died. The husband was also arrested.

Makes Good Showing.

The new First National bank of Galeton, of which W. B. Layton, formerly of this place, is cashier, commenced business on June 20, 1904, and by its recent statement it now has resources of $159,349.83. The liabilities are divided as follows: Capital, $48,810; undivided profits, $560.41; circulation, $12,500; deposits, $96,479.42. W. C. Park formerly of Monroeton, is the president of the bank.

Dinner to Senator Knox.

Monday night the Pennsylvania society gave a complimentary dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York to Senator Philander C. Knox. Among those who attende were Miles E. Horton and William Little, Esq., of this place.

New Attorney.

Harper H. Mercereau of Sayre, who studied in the office of the late Frederick K. Stephens, was Monday afternoon admitted to practice in the courts of Bradford county upon motion of W. P. Wilson, Esq.

Shot Hen Hawk.

A. J. Goff of Binghamton shot an immense hen hawk at Asylum recently. It measured four feet eight inches from tip to tip.

A MATTER OF HEALTH

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CONDUCTOR KILLED.

Daniel Maroney Caught Between Sections of His Train.

Daniel Maroney, aged 49 years, one of the oldest and best known freight conductors in the employ of the Lehigh Valley Railroad company, died at Sayre Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock as the result of injuries received in a railroad accident at Whites Ferry, near Tunkhannock.

Maroney was in charge of a freight train which pulled into the siding at that place. The train was broken at that point for some reason and Maroney attempted to cross the track between the two sections of the train when he became caught in a frog. He tried to extricate himself, but was unable to do so before the section of the train which was being pushed his way was upon him. Evidently he attempted to throw himself to one side of the rail so that only a portion of his leg would be taken off. His leg was passed over by the wheels of the train.

He was hurriedly brought to Sayre and died in the ambulance while he was being carried to the Packer hospital. It would have been necessary to remove the injured member near the trunk. The train which Mr. Maroney was running was coming from Wilkesbarre. He is survived by his wife and six children, all of Sayre.

YOUNG MAN KILLED.

Piece of Lumber Struck Him on Forehead.

Howard Fletcher, son of Seeley Fletcher, who operates a wood job near Kiff's Pond, on Armenia mountain, was fatally injured a few days ago while operating a saw. He was getting wood for the boiler and went to the cut-off saw to cut a stick in two. His father, who was running the saw, stepped back to give him room. A moment later he saw his son fall to the floor. The stick had caught on the saw and hurled with great force, striking Howard just below the eye and rendering him unconscious. Inflammation at the base of the brain set in and he died on Tuesday.

The funeral was held at his late residence Saturday and at the Methodist church in Canton at 12:30.

Frozen to Death.

The frozen and wounded body of James White aged sixty years, a resident of Frearstown, below Elmira, was found at eleven o'clock Saturday morning at the foot of a rock embankment alongside the tracks of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad. Coroner Selfridge made an investigation and decided that White had probably slipped from the edge of the bank during the night and striking his head on the ragged rocks, twenty feet below, died of concussion of the brain. There were no marks to show that he had been either assaulted or struck by a train. He leaves a wife and six children.

A Preacher Printer.

Rev. H. G. Blair of Standing Stone, probably the oldest printer in the state, is assisting in the Star office and yet has nimble fingers. Before entering the ministry he was the first foreman upon the founding of the Scranton Daily Republican. He was a gallant soldier in the war of the rebellion, and among others, in the three days' battle at Gettysburg. It is worthy of note that the balance of the Star force are all sons and daughters of soldiers but one.—Bradford Star.

Died in Kansas.

Revilo H. Toles died at the Soldiers Home in Dodge City, Kansas, December 4. He was formerly an Athens citizen where he was engaged in blacksmithing. He went to Kansas about 20 years ago. He leaves a wife and two sons. His wife's maiden name was Miss Eliza Stone, a daughter of Mrs. Anne Stone, an old Athens resident, who died about a year ago at the age of 100 years.

How Advertising Works.

Persistent and intelligent newspaper advertising increases business and this induces some advertisers to use other mediums also. Thus the principal manufacturer of tin signs says: "Our business is best when general advertising is heaviest, and our best customers are those who use the newspapers extensively, employing tin signs as an auxiliary."—Philadelphia Record.

Canton Park Site.

For a park and site for a library building, Canton ladies are negotiating the purchase of a valuable lot in the centre of the village. They have met with such generous encouragement so far that the thing is considered as good as done.

KILLED BY THE CARS.

Former Springfield Man Fell Under Train at Wallace, N. Y.

William J. Hanley of Elmira, a former resident of Springfield, this county, slipped on a glare of ice along the tracks at Wallace, N. Y., and fell beneath the wheels of the train of which he had been acting as trainman. The injuries which he received resulted in his death some hours later. The accident occurred at about 10 o'clock on Thursday morning.

The deceased was born in Springfield, Pa., January 6, 1851, and had been a resident of Elmira the greater part of his life. He had been in the railroad service for the past 25 years, and was well known to all the railroad men on that division of the Lackawanna. He was prominent in Masonic fraternity circles, holding membership in Cashmere Grotto and several other chapters of the order. He is survived by his widow and two children, a daughter, Miss E. Jane Hanley, and a son, E. Vern Hanley, both of Elmira. There also survives one sister, Mrs. Mary Mayhood, of Athens, Pa.

SUPERINTENDENT KINNEY.

Brief Sketch of New Head on Pennsylvania Division.

Charles W. Kinney arrived in Sayre Thursday morning from Easton and at once assumed the superintendency of the Pennsylvania division of the Lehigh Valley railroad, succeeding R. W. Baxter.

Mr. Kinney has been in the service of the Lehigh for 18 years commencing as a telegraph operator on the Jersey division of the road. This was his first experience in railroading. About eight years ago he was changed to an operator on the Lehigh division of the road.

He was first promoted to the office of train dispatcher and afterwards to chief dispatcher. About a month ago when Trainmaster Zigler was transferred from the Lehigh to the Jersey division, Mr. Kinney succeeded him as trainmaster on the Lehigh division. Mr. Kinney is succeeded as trainmaster by R. G. Kenley who has been division engineer on the Lehigh division. Mr. Kenley's successor has not been appointed.

JURY COMMISSIONER DEAD.

Harry S. Stevens Passed Away at Philadelphia Hospital.

Harry S. Stevens of Sayre, formerly of Stevensville, died at the Philadelphia hospital on Tuesday of last week where he had been for the past three months under treatment for spinal trouble. He was 38 years old and was born at Stevensville. He removed from there to Athens in 1903, entering the grocery business in the Little grocery and forming later a partnership with A. E. Guiles who has recently purchased Mr. Stevens's interest.

Mr. Stevens was the Democratic jury commissioner of Bradford county, defeating John E. Graham of this place for the nomination after a very close contest. He leaves beside his wife four daughters, ranging from two to 14 years, his father, mother and a sister who reside at Stevensville.

Alger—Cummings.

Miss Arvilla Alger, of Rome, Pa., and Walter Bruce Cummings of Columbus, Ohio, were united in marriage at the parsonage at Elmira on Thursday evening, Dec. 8, by the Rev. George H. Haigh. Mr. and Mrs. Cummings will reside in Columbus.

Direct Connections.

The Bradford County Telephone company has just established direct connections with the independent telephone exchanges at New Albany, Bernice, Dushore, Lovelton, Forkston, Lopez and Overton.

Free From Tuberculosis.

A herd of 15 cows of Isaac Vanderpool were tested with tuberculin by Dr. R. G. Rice on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week and no trace of tuberculosis found in any of them.

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EVA MANN DIES A PAUPER IN NEW YORK HOSPITAL.

Former Bradford County Woman Who Gained World Wide Notoriety.

Eva Ray Hamilton, who at one time lived in Towanda, and who became notorious by attempting to palm a bogus baby, which she had bought for $10, on Robert Ray Hamilton, her husband, and afterward got a settlement of $10,000 from the Hamilton estate, died a pauper in the Charity Ward of St. Vincent's Hospital. Her death occurred November 22, but the news of her demise has just been made public.

Robert Ray Hamilton was the son of General Schuyler Hamilton and a descendant of Alexander Hamilton. In 1899 he surprised his friends by marrying the woman who was then known as Eva Mann.

In a quarrel at their country home in New Jersey, Mrs. Hamilton stabbed a nurse girl, a Miss Donnelly, and was sentenced to two years in the Trenton Penitentiary. Hamilton began an investigation of her past and discovered her long connection with the blackmailing gang that had helped her to deceive him regarding the child.

Hamilton went to Wyoming to work on a ranch. Word came to New York in 1891 that he had been drowned while fording the Snake river.

The death of Eva Mann Hamilton calls to mind of many here a host of recollections. Her name was Eva Steele and she was born in Wilmot township. She was a handsome girl and always a favorite with men for whom she possessed seemingly almost hypnotic power. After the Hamilton episode, she came to Towanda with a New Yorker named Joshua Mann and they registered at the Ochs House and the Elwell House as Joshua Mann and wife. They came here to testify in behalf of a brother of Eva's who had been arrested for robbery.

A year later the fact of her coming to Towanda was discovered and the executors of the will of Hamilton sent detectives here to find out her history. Elihu Root was one of the attorneys for the Hamilton estate. A number of witnesses went from here and it was proved by them that Eva Mann had been living as the common law wife of Joshua Mann. It was admitted that she had been married to Robert Ray Hamilton by a Methodist pastor in New Jersey but for the first time in the history of New York state the proof of the common law marriage with Mann was held sufficient to nullify her ceremonial marriage with Hamilton and her endeavor to come in as Hamilton's widow as far as the personal property was concerned was stopped. She then tried to come in on the real estate but the Hamiltons decided to settle the matter and paid her the $10,000.

She lived at one time in Towanda in a house of bad character on Bridge street. It is said that her father was a miner employed at Bernice at one time. Many attribute the death of Hamilton in Idaho to suicide, brought about by remorse over the life that had led him to wed Eva Mann and chagrin over the notoriety attained by the bogus baby episode.

AWARDED BIG VERDICT.

Potter County Township Will Pay Dear for Negligence.

At the recent term of the Potter county court D. C. White, of Gaines, secured a judgment of $1,400 and costs against Genessee township. Some four years ago the supervisors of said township removed a bridge preparatory to putting in a new one. It was left during the night without light or guard rail. Mr. White walked off and sustained injuries from which he has never recovered. He sued the township for $10,000 damages. D. W. Baldwin, Esq., of Westfield, represented the plaintiff.

The contention of the township was that timbers were placed across the road in such a manner that anyone would have to climb over them to get to the place where the bridge span was removed. The witnesses for the plaintiff testified that there were no barriers raised and the place was entirely unguarded.

A Good and Bad Customer.

There was a good customer and a bad customer at E. Mouillesseaux's store on Saturday night. The bad customer picked up a ring and put it in his pocket. No one saw him do this but it was suspected that he had the missing jewelry. When confronted with a demand to produce it the bad customer did so. Then the good customer saw what his bad neighbor had done he gave him a terrific biff across the face and then knocked him with an undercut under a show case. Gore ran as also did the bad customer. The good customer remarked: "Gee, if any thing makes me mad it's a thief."

Neckyoke Broke.

On Monday while Frank Dimon and family were returning from Nichols, N. Y., they had an experience that will be long remembered. When coming down the pitch just below the South Warren store the neckyoke broke and the surrey was tipped over the bank. The occupants were thrown out but did not suffer any serious injuries. The horses were stopped at the store.—LeRaysville Times.

P. O. S. of A. Banquet.

The annual banquet of the Washington Camp, No. 190, P. O. S. of A., of this plae was held Friday night in their hall in the Mercur block and was a most enjoyable affair. There were about 100 who sat down to the banquet which was served at long tables. Several impromptu speeches were made and music was furnished by a phonograph.

GIGANTIC SWINDLE.

Scheme for Defrauding Farmers Said to Have Been Laid Bare.

Upon the statement of Simon Buttner, of Schenectady, who is under arrest there charged with grand larceny, Chief of Police Wright of Syracuse claims to have evidence of a gigantic swindle involving hundreds of thousands of dollars. Buttner has, so the Chief says, laid bare a scheme for defrauding farmers which netted its originators large sums of money. The company bought farm produce, giving in payments worthless checks, and its operations cover a period of several months. During that time the concern opened stores in almost every city in the State.

At Schenectady and East Worcester the farmers are said to have been defrauded out of from $12,000 to $14,000. In Syracuse their gains were not so great. At Watertown they bled the farmers of the northern part of the state. In Oneonta they beat a co-operative creamery company out of $900, and along the Hudson they were equally successful, operating at Kingston and Hudson. The main office of the bogus company is said to be in New York and the store in that city is believed to be run legitimately. In each city the company operated under different names.

The funeral was held Sunday at the home of his father at Stevensville; interment in the family plot at that place.

CANTON MAN'S RISE.

Has Grown Wealthy in New York City.

"Last week we had the pleasure of visiting the plant of the Manhattan Electric Supply Company, in Jersey City. J. J. Gorman, the president of the company, which is one of the largest in the country, is a Cantonian who went to New York twenty odd years ago as a telegraph operator, and beginning in a small way in the supply business has made a fortune by its development.

"The factory covers eight city lots, is five or six stories high, employs 400 hands, and makes an innumerable variety of goods, such as telegraph instruments, telephones, medical batteries, call bells, letter boxes, etc. The equipment of special machinery is extensive and strictly up to date. The office is in New York, and the retail store trade is something phenomenal. John Leahy is floor manager and has already made a reputation as a hustler. The company has a large branch store in Chicago."—Canton Sentinel.

LEG CRUSHED.

Louis H. Woodward Badly Injured at Rummerfield.

Louis H. Woodward, Jr., son of Louis H. Woodward, Sr., the well known Lehigh Valley passenger conductor, who resides at Athens, fell from an engine at Rummerfield on Tuesday night of last week, and the wheels of the tender crossed his right leg crushing it, so that amputation was necessary and the ends of two fingers so badly injured that it was necessary to remove them.

Louis H. Woodward, Jr., who is 21 years of age, has been in the employ of the Lehigh since last October. He made his first trip over the road as a brakeman last Sunday and Tuesday afternoon he started on his second trip which proved so disastrous.

NATIVE OF CANTON.

William M. Scott Died Suddenly at Williamsport.

William M. Scott, the Northern Central telegraph operator at Williamsport died suddenly on Tuesday morning of last week of heart failure, superinduced by pneumonia. He had been ill but a very few days.

Deceased had been in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad company for seventeen years. He worked there for many years, but lately had been given a position that did not require his constant attention.

Mr. Scott was born in Canton fifty-one years ago. He is survived by his widow and one sister.

Feast Day Observed.

Dec. 8 was the fiftieth anniversary of the promulgation by Pope Piux IX of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary. The day was celebrated in Towanda at the Church of SS. Peter and Paul by a mass at 7:30 a. m., and a high mass at 9 a. m. At night the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was observed and the sermon was delivered by Father Paul O'Neill of Olyphant, former assistant at the Towanda church. Dec. 8, each year is the time when the new members of the Sodality are taken in and a number joined in the evening.

Charged With Shoplifting.

A woman giving the name of Miss Atlanta Coffe, aged 46 years, and a resident of Wellsburg, was placed under arrest last week Tuesday at Elmira by Roundsman William Lazenby to answer to the serious charge of shoplifting. Goods taken from five stores on Water street were found on her person and she made a confession to Chief of Police Cassada which she claims covers the whole of her operations. She paid a fine of $50 for the offense.

Death at Evergreen.

Mrs. George Rettburg died at her home in Evergreen early Tuesday morning of last week of kidney disease, after an illness of two weeks. She was a daughter of William Terry. She is survived by her husband. Funeral services were held Thursday at Evergreen church at 1 p. m., interment at Evergreen.

Buyers read the Reporter-Journal.

THE JOHNSON TRIAL.

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said they would go up some night and hit her with a club; at another time said they would use an axe. Afterward Mrs. Merritt had said they did use Mag's double-bitted axe taken from the wood pile and hit her in the head with it.

Nancy Talked.

Witness testified that in the prisoner's presence Nancy had stated that she and Alanson stood by the bridge, saw a light at Maggie's and in a few minutes her mother and the prisoner came down the road from that direction. Charley went on up to Will Benjamin's. Charles had replied by calling her "a———liar."

Charles also stated that his mother said if the fire hadn't got so hot they would have gone back and cleaned up the blood.

The witness stated that he was the one who shut the door in Wilson's face when that gentleman came one night to Hollon's office and objected to their treatment of his client.

COMMONWEALTH RESTS.

Their Case Closed Yesterday Afternoon and Defense Begins.

The commonwealth rested its case Tuesday afternoon at 4:45 in the Johnson trial, asking for the privilege of recalling Mrs. Moses Benjamin. Defendant's attorneys asked that they close. Mr. Wilson stated the commonwealth was in possession of several items of evidence relative to conditions about the house of Maggie Johnson from 8:30 to 9 o'clock on the night of the crime, alleging a light was seen there as late as 8:30, and asked that the commonwealth be required to call Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coolbaugh and Joel Stevens. This was refused, as was also Mr. Wilson's motion to have the commonwealth elect upon which charge, either as principal or accessory, they proposed to ask for a conviction.

Bigler Indirectly Accused.

Mr. Lilley in his opening of the defense to the jury made a splendid effort, speaking for 45 minutes in a cool, dispassionate manner. In the course of his remarks he indirectly accused Bigler Johnson, the dead woman's husband, as being the guilty party.

Defense Scored a Point.

Judge Fanning Tuesday morning ruled that the attorneys for the commonwealth should turn over to the defense in the Johnson murder trial their notes of the questions to and answers secured from Charles Johnson on Sept. 28, from which they had been examining Chief of Police Miller, who was present when the statement was taken. The court stated that he wished to be liberal in the matter, and believed the prisoner was entitled to any evidence germane to the subject. The commonwealth at once turned over their transcript of the examination.

This decision was reached after argument on both sides lasting an hour and a half. Mr. Lilley then continued his cross-examination of Chief Miller, reading from these notes and the witness replying each time that the question and answer were correct to the best of his recollection.

Prisoner's First Statement.

In the portion of the statement read the prisoner reiterated the declaration that he did not leave Will Benjamin's house on the night of the killing, and knew nothing of the fire until Beniamin came home from the creamery next morning. Charles and Bigler were confronted. Bigler accused Charles and their mother and the prisoner denied it.

Mr. Lilley asked the witness if there had not been attached to the notes of the statement an account of a conversation with the prisoner had on Sept. 25. Mr. Maxwell admitted that such part of the notes had been detached and thereupon delivered them to the defendant's counsel.

Mr. Miller's examination lasted until almost 12 o'clock, when Eugene Benjamin was recalled. He testified that the prisoner did not come to him on Monday, Sept. 19, the day after the fire to borrow a reaper and did not take such a machine from his premises that day. He described the construction of the Merritt house, the idea apparently being to show that a conversation down stairs could easily be heard.

On cross examination he said the prisoner had borrowed a mowing machine from him a few days before the fire and returned it.

CLOSING THE PROSECUTION.

Final Rounding Up of the Evidence Against Charley Johnson.

Tuesday afternoon witnessed the closing of the commonwealth's case. Mr. Hollon was recalled and questioned at length concerning the conversation with the prisoner on Sept. 28 in his office. It did not differ from the testimony of Chief Miller on the same point.

J. G. Pratt was recalled to identify the synopsis of the statement presented to Charles for signature and not signed by him. It was admitted as exhibit "B" and read by S. H. Smith, Esq.

It being apparent about 3 o'clock that the prosecution was nearly ready to close, Mr. Lilley asked that Mrs. Merritt and Alanson be brought into court. The prisoner never looked up as they passed behind him. Hank Merritt met them at the head of the stairs and spoke to Alanson, but his wife never favored him with so much as a glance.

Another Test For Blood.

Dr. D. L. Pratt was recalled. Since giving his testimony of the day before he had made a chemical test of the blood stains on the prisoner's working clothes and declared them to be blood. He treated a solution obtained from the cloth with tienture of guiac and peroxide of hydrogen, a test laid down in the medical text books. He pointed out a part of the jacket which in his opinion had no blood upon it.

H. I. Graves was called to identify exhibit "B" and told what was said to the prisoner to get him to sign it.

Gershon C. Barnes, a neighbor of the Merritt's, was called to testify that early the Monday morning he saw two pairs of overalls and a dark calico dress hanging out at the Merritt house; this washing was first seen as soon as daylight.

The commonwealth then rested its case.

Mr. Lilley's Opening.

It was five minutes past 5 o'clock when Mr. Lilley arose to present the defendant's case to the jury. He recalled to their minds the care with which they had been selected. He referred to the Macedonia affair as having attracted attention and comment for hundred of miles about through the prominence given its peculiar features by the newspapers. What took place he did not know, and he expressed doubt if any except the participants, if a crime was committed, will ever know. He expressed belief that when the defense had concluded their case and had disabused the minds of the jury of the natural prejudice entertained by many to the class to which the prisoner belonged, there would be no hesitancy under the evidence in bringing in a verdict of not guilty.

The defense does not know who did commit the crime, but the attorney promised to bring testimony as strongly in favor of the prisoner as has been adduced against him. He detailed the circumstances of the family relations and told of the brothers being in Towanda on that day. That Bigler missed his train and that Charles proposed if he would wait until Thursday he would go with him. That he preceded home, changed his hat and went on to his place of employment at Will Benjamin's, where he remained all night. Will Benjamin, his wife, son George and two daughters will testify that the prisoner did not leave their house that night and could not possibly have gone without their knowledge until after 10:45.

He called attention to the prisoner's mental calibre, the influences he was subjected to by Mr. Hollon and others, which he believed led the prisoner to believe that unless he said something thy would hang him. He proposed to show that Mr. Hollon used the name of the court to get possession of the prisoner to question him. He denounced the "sweatbox" and "third degree" methods of getting confessions and declared they had no more right to take Charles Johnson from the jail than they had to take a member of the jury from his own home.

He stated that the defense would put upon the stand the prisoner, his brother Alanson and sister Nancy and his mother, Mrs. Merritt, all of whom will swear that they were not out of their house that night after getting home about 7:45.

Mr. Lilley characterized as unfair some of the tactics of the prosecution and alleged that the commonwealth should show a motive for the crime, which had not been done so far as Charles was concerned.

Bigler Named.

Bigler, the dead woman's husband, was not seen from the time he was seen going across Ivan Power's farm toward his wife's house until he came into Towanda about 10 o'clock, out of breath from running, and stood upon the bridge and watched the fire. Said the attorney: "The evidence points to Bigler, and to Bigler alone, ten thousands times as strong as it does to the prisoner at the bar." He promised a rapid production of the defense's testimony.

TESTIMONY FOR DEFENSE TO PROVE AN ALIBI.

The Prisoner's Brother Alanson Told a Straight Story.

The defense offered their first evidence at the opening of court yesterday morning. They called Margaret Duggan and Katie Williams, two of the young girls who met Mrs. Merritt and the two children near the Wysox bridge on the Sunday evening between 6:30 and 7 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Coolbaugh, whose house is in plain sight across the fields, were awakened and saw the fire at 9:20.

Stephen Sullivan of Wysox, told of the prisoner assisting in painting his boat last summer; red paint was used. Bigler came to his house on the Sunday afternoon and left a grip or satchel to be called for in a day or two. The court permited no questions about what the others had said to him or when Bigler said he would come for it.

When Bigler Came to Town.

John Nichols and Everitt Vargason of Shores Hill, came to Towanda on the Sunday night to meet some parties who had been on an excursion. They saw the light of the fire from the Washington street depot and about 10 o'clock stood on the bridge over the tracks at Bridge street. Bigler came hurrying across the bridge, and talked with them. Spoke rapidly. Testimony as to Bigler's being out of breath ruled out.

In the middle of the forenoon Mrs. Merritt, Alanson and Nancy were brought into court. Alanson was called by the defense. The district attorney moved that the court exclude Mrs. Merritt and Nanc from the court room while Alanson was testify ing. This was refused.

Alanson's Straightforward Story.

Alanson is stolid in appearance, below the average in appearance of intellect. He gave his age as 13 last July. He told a straightforward tale that was unshaken by the rigid cross examination. He said that he spent the Sunday at Perry Vanderpool's in company with other boys playing ball and at the creek. His mother and Hank Merritt spent the day at Isaac Vanderpool's at Hollon Hill; Nancy was at home; Charles and Bigler not there that day. Bigler went away on Saturday saying he was going to Binghamton on the Sunday excursion. Charley came to the house about 8 o'clock and changed his hat, saying he was going to his sister's in Towanda. Witness returned home about 4 o'clock; mother and Nancy there shortly after. Charley returned for his hat about 5 o'clock and told them Bigler had missed his train and was coming home.

Then Mrs. Merritt, Alanson and Nancy started for Wysox to meet Bigler; witness stopped for a time at Perry Vanderpool's. Saw Annie Benjamin walk a short distance with them in the road. He then went after them and met them at the Wysox bridge.

All Remained at Home.

All three then went home, reaching there between 7 and 8 o'clock; ate supper after Hank came home and all went to bed in the front room. Did not leave his bed that night. Learned of the fire next morning from Fred Coolbaugh, who was telling Nancy. Learned from Will Barnes the next morning that Maggie and Annie had been burned. He and Nancy went to the fire, their mother stopping at Tom Benjamin's and not going to the ruins to his knowledge that day. His mother came to Towanda in the afternoon.

On cross examination Alanson said he didn't know he was more than 13 years old. Did not know what day of the month the fire was, but did know it was Sunday. Neither Charley or Bigler staid at home that Sunday night of the alleged murder. The women removed their shoes at the bridge and the party followed the main road all the way home, and did not go across the fields to Maggie Johnson's house. None of the three ran any part of the way home and he did not hear his mother tell Hank that they had a footrace. The four slept in the downstairs room; Hank had slept there for a long time.

At the conclusion of Alanson's testimony noon adjournment was taken.

Eccentric.

Grimes—My wife's the queerest woman that ever lived. Gorman—Yes; that's what people thought when she married you.—Boston Transcript.

A noble heart, like the sun, showeth its greatest countenance at its lowest estate.—Sidney.

We regret the low voices of those who pay us compliments almost as much as we regret the high voices of those who abuse us.—Atchison Globe.

ROOSEVELT'S PLURALITY.

Official Figures Place It at 2,546,470. Largest on Record.

New York, Dec. 12.—Figures compiled from official sources in various states show that Theodore Roosevelt was elected by a popular plurality more than three times greater than that ever given any other president or defeated candidate, for Tilden and Cleveland, both defeated, polled a larger popular vote than Hayes or Harrison respectively.

According to the official figures, with the exception of five counties, one in Tennessee and four in Michigan, he defeated Judge Parker by 2,546,470. McKinley's plurality over Bryan in 1900, which at that time was the high water mark, was only 849,790. Cleveland's plurality in 1884 was 62,683.

Roosevelt polled 7,640,561, the largest vote ever given a president. This is more than 400,000 in excess of the vote cast for McKinley in 1900.

The "protest" candidates showed surprising strength. Altogether they polled 799,168. Debs, the Socialist, came within 7,143 of receiving 400,000 votes, an increase of 300,000 over his showing four years ago. Swallow, the Prohibitionist, got 248,411; Watson, Populist, got 124,381, and Corregan of the Social Labor party received 33,519.

Transmuting Vegetables.

The discovery of a means of metamorphosing radishes into potatoes has been made in so solemn a place as the Academy of Sciences, Paris, says the St. James' Gazette. M. Moillard takes a very young radish, "pasteurizes" it in a certain way, and it grows up into a fine potato. More scientifically, the young radish is cultivated in a glass retort, after a process invented by Pasteur, in a concentrated solution of glucose. Starch then develops plentifully in the cells of the radish, which swells out, loses its pepperiness and acquires practically the consistency, flavor and especially the nutritive properties of the potato.

Artemus Ward's Sarcasm.

Artemus Ward was traveling on a slow going southern road soon after the war. When the conductor was punching his ticket Artemus inquired, "Does this railroad company allow passengers to give it advice if they do so in a respectful manner?" The conductor replied in gruff tones that he guessed so. "Well," Artemus went on, "it occurred to me it would be well to detach the cowcatcher from in front of the engine and hitch it to the rear of the train, for, you see, we are not liable to overtake a cow. But what's to prevent a cow strolling into this car and biting a passenger?"

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Miss Mary Ross, who has been spending some time at Burlington has returned to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. S. K. Ross.

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Ladies' Jersey Ribbed, Formerly 50c, Sale Price 39c

WAISTS.

Ladies' Madras and Seersucker Shirtwaists, worth 75c, Sale Price 33c
Ladies' Extra Heavy all Wool Flannel Waists, worth $1.00 and $1.25, Sale Price 75c
Ladies' Extra Heavy all Wool Flannel Waists, worth $2.00, Sale Price $1.23
Ladies' Extra Heavy Silk Waists, assorted colors, worth $5.00, Sale Price $2.29
Ladies' Black Silk Waists, Peau de Soie, worth $5, Sale Price $3.69
Outing Flannel, Extra Heavy 10c grade, now 6½c
Outing Flannel Ladies' Nightwear 41c

HOSIERY.

Children's Hosiery, Fleeced lined 8c
Children's Cotton Hose 6c
Children's Extra Heavy Hose, formerly 15 & 20c, Sale Price 12½c
Ladies' Extra Heavy Cotton Hose, formerly 12½c, Now 7c
Ladies' Extra Heavy Seamless, formerly 15c, Now 8c
Ladies' Extra Heavy Fleeced lined, all sizes 25c, Now 17c
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Heavy Working Hose, 10c Grade 6c
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Men's Black Hose 15c Grade 9c
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Serges and Henriettas 38in. wide, best goods made, former worth $1.00, Sale Price 69c
Serges and Henriettas 36 in wide, all shades made, former worth 74c, Sale Price 44c
One Low Fancy and Plain Weaved, former worth 50c, Sale Price 29c
Dress Flannels, all colors, very large variety to select from, formerly 39c, Sale Price 23c
Dress Gingham, Bates, Seersucker, Ginghams, 12½c, now 8½c
Apron Gingham, all colors, Sale Price 5½c
Yard Wide Percale, all colors, Light and Dark, formerly 12½c, Sale Price 8½c
Dress Linings, Selisia and Percaline, formerly 15 to 20c, Sale Price 11c
Full Line of Calicos, all Colors 4½c

HANDKERCHIEFS.

Children's Handkerchiefs 1c
Men's White, Blue and Red Working Handkerchiefs, 10c grade 3c
Ladies' White Handkerchiefs 3c
Isabella Fox Scarf, worth $8.98, now $5.98
Black Cooney Scarf, 6 Tails, 2 yds. long, worth $5.00 now $2.98
Austraulian Possom Scarf, 4 skins long, worth $7.50, now $4.98
Beaver Neutra Scarf, worth $10.00, now $6.48
Grey Austraulian Possom Scarf, worth $5.00, now $2.98

FURS.

Isabelle Fox Scarf, Natural Skin Tails, 2 yds. long, worth $7.98, now $5.48
Neck Fur Cooney Scarf, 6 Tails, worth $1.50, now 69c
Black Cooney Scarf, 2 yards long, 6 Tails Cord and Tassels, worth $3.98, now $2.48
Electric Seal Fur Cape, 30 in. long, Fancy Silk Lined, worth $35.00, now $14.98
3 Lined Water Mink Austraulian Possum Trimmed Capes, Black Heavy, all Silk Bengaline outside, worth $45.00, now $23.98
1 Persian Lamb Coat, Fancy Silk Lined, worth $125.00, now $69.98
1 Electric Seal Coat, Black Satin Lining, worth $45.00, now $24.48
1 Neutra Beaver Coat, Fancy Silk Lining worth $50.00, now $24.98

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Lace Curtains Worth 75c, Sale Price 35c
Lace Curtains Worth $1.00, Sale Price 59c
Lace Curtains Worth $2.00, Sale Price $1.19
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Men's Work Flannel Shirts, $1.00 Grade 69c
Men's Extra Fine Flannel Shirts. All Colors, $1.75 Grade $1.15

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FRANKLINDALE.

Leslie Stone has the misfortune to hurt one of his horses quite badly while skidding logs last week.

Considerable lumbering is being done in this vicinity this season. Ray Proof and Will Cranmer are cutting the lumber on Mrs. Brown's land at Powell and Glen Varney and Leslie Stone will put a portable mill on Mr. Varney's land.

Perry and Will Brown are cutting the pine and hemlock on Mrs. John Phelps' lot.

Miss Mertie Lantz, who has been working at Towanda, is home.

Mrs. C. T. Sickler is visiting at Athens.

Miss Helen Strope of Highland is visiting at John Strope's.

Mrs. John Williams is seriously ill.

A water famine is threatened in this place.

Daniel Green, an aged resident of this place, died at his home on Crayton Hill Wednesday, Dec. 7.

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Fitch's candy has a splendid reputation for purity and goodness. There will be calls for it at Christmas time and dealers should have it on hand. Orders for it in large or small quantities will be promptly attended to. Address C. S. Fitch, Towanda, Pa.

DURELL.

Mrs. Elliston Miller and sister of this place are visiting their sister Mrs. C. F. Parks at Wilmington, Del.

George Kerrick attended the district stewards convention at Montour Falls last week. Mrs. Kerrick and daughter Mildred accompanied him as far as Elmira.

Russell Miller has gone to the western part of the state to fill a position which he has there.

Mrs. James Fulls is seriously ill at her home.

The telephone poles are set from this place to R. B. Kerrick's at Asylum.

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GRANVILLE CENTRE.

Several head of cattle from Glenside Stock Farm were sold to Mr. Thomas of Memphis, Tenn., the past week.

Miss Ethel Kenyon, who has been visiting in Canton, returned home on Wednesday.

The prayer meeting of the Disciple church will be held at the parsonage on Thursday evening.

Revival meetings will commence after the holidays.

Mrs. Alice Bunyon of Canton, visited her daughter, Mrs. Robert Saxton, the past week.

The grangers held on oyster supper on Wednesday evening at their hall.

WINDAM CENTRE.

Miss Havens from Windham is visiting Mrs. Lewis Doane during her illness.

Floyd Merrill is sick with measles. The neighbors made a bee and cut some wood for him on Saturday afternoon.

Buyers read the Reporter-Journal

WELLS.

Sergeant Thomas H. Curren of Company G, Ninth U. S. Infantry, came home last Saturday after serving two terms of enlistment in the regular army. Sergeant Curren was engaged in fierce and active fighting for many "moons' in the Philippines and also in China, where he received a gun shot wound in one leg. He was one of three brothers who enlisted at the same time. Albert J. served one term of enlistment and is now in the employ of the U. S. government at Manila. The other brother, Harry, was killed in a street car wreck in San Francisco about two months ago. Sergeant Thomas H. has excellent credentials of being a brave, faithful and valuable soldier.

Prof. D. H. Aird, principal of Wells High School, was taken with hemorrhages last Saturday and was unable to teach on Monday of this week. His assistant, Miss Mabel Wright, tuaght in his stead. Prof. Aird bled profusely from the mouth and his case was alarming. Dr. S. M. Seafuse treated Mr. Aird's case on Monday and he is now some better.

Rev. K. M. Walker of Daggett was unable to fulfill his charge to preach at the new school house last Sunday owing to the death of his brother. Rev. Mr. Walker will preach there next Sunday at 2:30 p. m. and a large congregation is expected.

A Christmas tree will be given at the graded school house on Saturday evening, Dec. 24, by the Sunday school class. Everybody will be welcome to attend and take part.

A very pretty home wedding was given at the home of Esquire and Mrs. Asa Wilcox at Mosherville, last Thursday at 7 p. m. when their charming daughter, Mary, was united in marriage to Thomas Winthrop Johns of Rutland, Pa. Rev. K. M. Walker tied the connubial knot. About 55 relatives and friends witnessed the ceremony and partook of the sumptuous supper. The happy bride is a highly accomplished and refined young lady and the fortunate groom is highly spoken of as a worthy and wealthy young man. They were the recipients of beautiful and costly presents. Mr. and Mrs. Johns departed about midnight amid a shower of rice and old slippers in a carriage for Elmira where they took the train for Washing. D. C., Philadelphia, New York. and other places of interest. A host of friends extend hearty congratulations.

Mrs. Anna Dunning, relic of David Dunning, died very suddenly at about 4:30 p. m. last Sunday at her home near Gillett, of heart failure, aged about 58 years. She had been up about the house as usual during the day until a couple of hours before death she complained of not feeling well, and went and laid down on the bed where she never spoke again. Dr. C. W. Sheldon of Gillett was hastily summoned but she was too far gone before he reached her. Mrs. Dunning was an estimable chirstian woman, a devoted mother and a kind neighbor. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. George Wilson, and three sons, Lowden B. Dunning of Elmira, and Joseph Dunning and Roy Dunning, an attache of a telephone company. The funeral will be held on Wednesday and she will be buried beside her husband at Gillett.

Mail carrier No. 57 from Gillett started out Monday morning with a cutter. Sleighing is good.

WARRENHAM.

Mrs. Anna Young went to Ithaca Monday evening to see her son Andrew and attend a concert.

The trustees of the Presbyterian church met at Clarence Corbin's Tuesday afternoon to make out papers releasing the executors of the estate and taking the Coburn Free Library of Owego as security for the payment of $20 annuity left to the society by the will of the late Andrew Coburn of Owego.

About 20 from Warren Center, of the school mates of Miss Anna Dewing made her a surprise party Friday evening which passed off very pleasantly.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

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The assortment is larger than usual and comprises Toys, Dolls, Sterling Silver trimmed with plated novelties, Celluloid and Leather articles, Confectionery, Nuts, Oranges, Books, Pictures, Fancy China and Glassware, Handkerchiefs, Perfumery, etc. All to be marked in figures for the convenience of shoppers at popular prices. As we are afraid our stock of the higher priced Furs is too large, $15 furs have been marked down to $12; $10 ones to $8; $5 ones to $4, or at a reduction of 20 per cent on all at $5 or more. The prices before were low for the quality. Reduction also on Ladies' Coats, Capes, and Children's Coats and Millinery. J. P. Bosworth.

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WINDFALL.

Mr. and Mrs. David Hafflet and Mrs. Agnes Shedden visited relatives at Bernice last week.

A very enjoyable time is reported at the grange last week, one hundred and seventy-five being present. An interesting program was rendered.

Announcement was received during the past week of the recent marriage of Carl Shoemaker, son of Joseph Shoemaker of this place, to Myra Myrtle Haines of Spokane, Wash. They will be at home in Spokane after Dec. 15.

The dwelling house of R. Sturdevant came near being destroyed by fire on Thursday night. Mrs. Sturdevant was alone in the house when fire was discovered in the kitchen. Timely assistance from the neighbors saved the house.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Kendall returned on Monday last from a two month's wedding trip through New Jersey and New York.

Miss Daisy Jennings, who is teaching school in Armenia township, was home over Sunday.

A party consisting of Charles Shoemaker, Fred Landon, Niles Packard and Dent Hawthorne hunted on Barclay mountain last week. Their game included a jack rabbit and a porcupine.

R. Sturdevant hunted rabbits in Troy and Springfield townships last week.

Fred Jennings gathered in a quantity of furs in Armenia last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell of Tioga county visited relatives here recently.

BAILEYS CORNERS.

Mrs. Beniamin Baldwin has been entertaining her brother and his wife from Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott of Mt. Pisgah are visiting at C. J. Youman's.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Sallie Baxter, on Thursday, Dec. 6, 1904, a daughter.

Mrs. Sallie Putnam is visiting at Towanda and Elmira.

The grangers enjoyed an oyster supper at the grange hall at Granville Center last Wednesday night.

The children are preparing for Christmas exercises.

Fred Baxter has been serving as juryman at the county seat the past week.

Hubert Larcom started Monday for Glady, W. Va., to work for Lewis Bros.

The L. A. S. will meet with Mrs. Will Johnson this week Thursday Dec. 15, for dinner.

LEROY.

Richard Bevans of South Burlington was in town last Friday night.

The L. A. S. at C. E. McCraney's last week was well attended; proceeds, $4.05.

The ladies of the Disciple church living on the south side of the creek will serve supper in the Grange Hall Saturday, Dec. 17, from 5 till 9.

Rueben Palmer and wife are attending state grange this week.

The L. A. S. of the Baptist church will meet at the church for dinner next week Wednesday for the purpose of finishing the quilt. Come.

Considerable sport was derived by the mingling of the wires last week but as yet no damage has been reported. It is hoped that the difficulty may be found and remedied.

Jarius Brown is installing a Farmers' Phone.

SPRINGFIELD.

Reports come that Dr. John Cory formerly of this place, now of Geneva, Ill., has small-pox, contracted while treating a patient.

Andrew Vanburskirk is down from Elmira spending a few days.

The young folks are busy preparing for Christmas. Elder Hemming will give a Christmas sermon on that day All come that can for it will be instructive to old and young.

George Woolcot, Ray Mattocks, and their wives, joined the grange at Big Pond Saturday night.

Mrs. Crediford is to have Christmas exercises at her school at Harkness

LITCHFIELD.

The L. A. S. will meet with Mrs. Alfred Fox Dec. 22.

Hansom McKinney is visiting relatives at Ulster.

Arthur McKinney and family have moved from Athens to the Barnum farm in Litchfield.

Mr. Lunger will continue running his from their farm back to this place Mr. Lunged will continue running his blacksmith shop here.

Mrs. O. O. Clafflen of Athens is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. A. Depew.

E. A. Depew was laid up last week with a bad foot.

WINDHAM SUMMIT.

Mrs. Pearl Lent is staying with her mother and working in the knitting mill at Nichols.

Owing to the long continued cold and dry weather a scarcity of water is a perplexing problem the farmers are obliged to face.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Johnson expect to leave the homestead in the near future.

Singing school under the management of Prof. Fred Wheaton is largely attended and good interest is manifested.

WINDHAM.

James Wheaton and wife visited at Lewis Kuykendall's at Candor Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Manning of Cadis took dinner at S. D. Russell's and attended church here on Sunday.

Misses Eva and Katherine Kuykendall visited friends friends in Towanda the last of the week.

Dr. Ott of Sayre was called to see Ira Finch last Thursday. Mr. Finch has been sick for some time.

Mrs. Mary Finch visited at George Kuykendall's the last of the week and attended church here Sunday.

LAUREL HILL.

The meeting at the new grange hall was a very pleasant affair. State lecturer Albert M. Cornell was present and gave an address that was much enjoyed by all. Mauger grange of Greenstanding was well represented and many visitors from other places were present. Mr. Cornell was present in the evening when eight new members took the third and fourth degrees. Five new names are proposed for membership this week. There is plentiy of room in the new hall where all will receive a hearty welcome.

There will be a social at Ernest Miller's on Tuesday evening for Rev. Mr. McDonald pastor of the Smithfield Congregational church who seems very anxious to do good and has been faithful coming to preach Sunday afternoons at the Williams school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carpenter have three children sick with scarlet fever. So far they seem to be doing as well as could be expected. Dr. Campbell is attending them.

Miss Amelia Doty is seriously ill.

Our school is closed on account of scarlet fever.

Mrs. Huff has gone to Smithfield to help care for Mahlon Shuart who is very sick.

The large house at the Childs homestead caught fire from some ashes and came near burning on Friday night but was extinguished before any great damage was done. There was music along the telephone line for a time when the alarm was given.

Mrs. Ellen Brown of Codding is staying a few weeks with her niece, Mrs. George Weed.

There was a reception given Mr. and Mrs. Herman Geroulds at their pleasant home Friday evening. A nice supper was served and the evening was spent with games and music.

There is a Bible study every Sunday night at George Weed's.

A week ago Sunday one of the twin babies of Mr. and Mrs. John Hills of Athens was buried at Smithfield. Last Sunday the other little one was buried. Until a few years ago Mr. Hills had always been a resident of this place, where he and Mrs. Hills will receive the sympathy of many friends.

OVERSHOT.

Earl Knapp of Luthers Mills is pressing hay at this place. One of his horses was taken sick and died last Friday at F. C. O'Sullivan's where they were at work.

John O'Sullivan, master of Overshot grange No. 1228, is a delegate to the state grange at Erie this week.

John Gahan and Michael Regan had business at Troy last Thursday.

Miss Mary Crimmins of Towanda spent Saturday with Miss Margaret O'Sullivan.

NORTH ORWELL.

There will be a Christmas tree at the church Saturday evening, Dec. 24. The Sunshine Society will also have a "Good Cheer," part in it.

Dont forget the Sunshine social and Apron sale Dec. 16 at E. B. Wilbur's. Its success means just so much more sunshine in dark places.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Hill have removed to Lestershire.

NORTH ROME.

Mrs. Eva Sackett of Sayre is spending a few days with friends in this place.

Charles Forbes and wife visited friends at Waverly Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Benjamin Horton of Sayre is spending some time at Spencer Sackett's.

A number from this place went to Waverly Thursday evening to attend the "Eastern Stars' meeting held at that place.

WEST OVERTON.

E. L. Greene, who has been blacksmithing at Cold Springs, will commence blacksmithing for Knights and King.

C. King is visiting at his home at Canton.

Harvey Knights of Canton was doing business herel ast week.

Henry Baluvelt, who is working here for Mr. Merrill, spent over Sunday at his home at Waverly.

Merrill & Little have changed the location of their saw mill and will place it in about the center of their timber.

SOUTH TOWANDA.

Mrs. Levi Hatch is quite ill.

Miss Minnie Knowles is teaching the school in Asylum township that was reopened last Monday.

Mrs. S. E. Smith returned last week from a visit with her sisters in Sayre and Antrim.

Mrs. Mary Bennett is spending the week with relatives at Laquin.

Charles Woodring of Laquin spent Monday with friends here.

WEST FRANKLIN.

L. C. Burrough and wife are attending the state grange at Erie this week.

The continued dry weather is beginning to be felt in this locality. Many wells are dry and the streams are failing.

The Baptist and Methodist Sunday schools will join in a Christmas tree at the M. E. church Saturday evening.

TO CALIFORNIA FOR THE WINTER

Via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway.

The Overland Limited and the California Express are daily trains. Less than three days Chicago to California via The Overland Limited of the St. Paul and Union Pacific Line. This is the time to go to California and this is the way. Tourist sleeping cars to San Francisco every day and to Los Angeles twice a week. Folder free. W. S. Howell, General Eastern Agent, 381 Broadway, New York.

POWELL.

There will be a dime social for the benefit of the M. E. Sunday school at the home of Joe Brown on Friday evening Dec. 16.

The meetings at the M. E. church are closed on account of so much sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Sergeant of Wetona are visiting friends in this vicinity.

Both churches are preparing for Christmas trees; the one at the M. E. church is to be held on Christmas eve and at the Presbyterian church Friday evening, Dec. 23.

Miss Lola Brown was called to her home at Renwick last week on account of the sickness of her sister.

The W. C. T. U. meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Mina Rockwell Wednesday, Dec. 7, Rev. L. L. Wilcox and wife joined the order. Subject for next meeting "What Is Temperance and Intemperance Doing for Us." The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank Lantz on Wednesday, Dec. 21.

GILLETT.

Mrs. F. Havens was called to Elmira on account of the illness of her sister, Mrs. Charles Smith.

The pupils of the High school are preparing a short program to be given Dec. 22.

Mrs. D. F. Dunning died Sunday after an illness of a few hours. She is survived by three sons and a daughter.

Dr. R. J. Turk has recently been transferred to Elmira where he will assume his duty as assistant medical examiner in the N. C. R. R. Co.

About 36 young people gave Miss Wells a surprise at the house of Elmer Dewey Dec. 9.

A Christmas entertainment "Mother Goose and Santa Claus," will be given at the Baptist church on the evening of Dec. 24.

THE MARKETS.

The Market Reports in the Reporter-Journal and Republican are corrected every week. For Towanda, the quotations on Groceries and Provisions are furnished by M. J. Long; on Hay, Straw and Grain by the Susquehanna Valley Hay Co. The Troy markets are reported by F. H. Hovey, and the General Markets are from the Produce and Live Stock Exchanges.

Towanda Provision Market.

	PAYING	SELLING.
BUTTER	16c to 22c	
EGGS	28c to 30c	
CHEESE		15
LARD		11 a 12c
BEESWAX	22 a	
BEANS	$1.80 a $2.25	
CORN	65c to 70c	
OATS	37c to 40c	
CORN MEAL		$1.40 a 1.50
FEED		$1,25 a
FLOUR, per sack		$1.50 a 1.75
POTATOES	40c	

Towanda Hay and Grain Market.

LOOSE HAY—No. 1, $8; No. 2, $6; clover mixed, $5.

BALED HAY—No. 1, $10; No. 2, $6 a $8.

STRAW—Loose Long rye, $10; loose short rye, $5, loose oat, $4; baled short rye, $10to$11; baled oat straw $6to$7.

Troy Markets.

	PAYING
BUTTER, fresh tubs	22c
EGGS	30c
BEESWAX	a 23c
OATS, per bushel	40c
POTATOES, per bushel	a40c
BUTTER, rolls	20c

General Markets.

New York, Dec. 13.

BUTTER—Creamery, extras, per pound, 27a27½c. (Mercantile Exchange official quotation, extras, 27c.); firsts, 24a26½c.; seconds, 20a23c.; thirds, 17a19c.; held, extras, 24a24½c.; firsts, 22½a23½c.; seconds, 19a21½c.; state dairy, tubs, extras, 25c.; firsts, 22a24c.; seconds, 18a20c.; thirds, 15a17c.

CHEESE—State, full cream, small, September, colored, fancy, 12c.; late made, colored, choice, 11c.; fair to good, 10a10½c.; September, white, fancy, 12c.; late made, white, choice, 11c.; fair to good, 10a10½c.; poor, 8½a9½c.; large, September, colored, fancy, 11¾c.; late made, colored, choice, 10¾c.; September, white, fancy, 11¾c.; late made, white, choice, 10½c.; colored and white, fair to good, 9a9½c.; poor, 8a8¾c.; light skims, small, choice, 9¼a9½c.; prime, 8½a8¾c.; part skims, prime, 7¾a8c.; good, 7¼a7½c.; common to fair, 6a6½c.; full skims, 3½a4½c.

EGGS—State, Pennsylvania and nearby, selected, white, fancy, 38a40c.; choice, 35a37c.; mixed, fancy, 35a36c.; average prime, 30a32c.; ordinary to good, 25a28c.; dirties, 18a20c.; checks, 15a18c.

LIVE POULTRY—Chickens, per pound, 11c.; turkeys, old, per pound, 12a13c.; ducks, per pair, 80a90c.; geese, per pair, $1.62a1.75; southern, $1.25a1.37; pigeons, per pair, 20c.

DRESSED POULTRY—Turkeys, Jersey, Maryland and Delaware, fancy, per pound, 21a22c.; fair to prime, 18a20c.; state and Pennsylvania, fancy, 20a21c.; fair to prime, 17a19c.; chickens, Philadelphia, 8 to 9 pounds to pair, per pound, 19a20c.; mixed sizes, 15a16c.; other Pennsylvania, 7 to 8 pounds to pair, fancy, 15a16c.; state and Pennsylvania, mixed sizes, 13a14c.; fowls, 5 pounds and over each, per pound, 11½c.; old cocks, per pound, 8a8½c.; spring ducks, fancy, per pound, 14a15c.; choice, 13a14c.; fair to good, 10a12c.; spring geese, choice, 12a12½c.; fair to good, 9a11c.; squabs, prime, large, white, per dozen, $2.75; mixed, $2.25a2.37; dark, $1.75a2.

POTATOES—State and western, in bulk, per 180 pounds, $1.37a1.62; per 168 pound bag, $1.25a1.55; per 150 pound bag, $1.25; Long Island, in bulk, per 180 pounds, $1.87a 2.12; per 168 pound bag, $1.75a2; Jersey, per barrel or bag, $1.25a1.50; in bulk, per 180 pounds, $1.37a1.62; Maine, per 168 pound bag, $1.30a1.60; Bermuda, No. 1, per barrel, $5.50a6; sweet potatoes, Cumberland county, per barrel, $2.50a3.50; south Jersey, per double head barrel, $2a3.25; Jersey, per half barrel basket, $1a1.25; southern, yellow, per barrel, $1.50a2.

DRESSED MEATS—Beef slow at 7a9½c. per pound for native sides; a little extra beef at 9¾c.; calves firm; city dressed veals sold at 10a13½c. per pound; country dressed at 7a12c.; mutton at 7a9c. per pound; lambs at 9a11c. per pound; country dressed hogs steady at 5a7c. per pound for heavy to light weights; roughs at 4a5c. per pound.

Auditor's Notice.

The undersigned having been appointed by the Orphan's Court of Bradford County, an auditor to audit, settle, adjust and report distribution of the funds in the hands of E. A. Wilson administrator of the estate of Geo. M. Canfield, late of the township of Warren, deceased, will attend to the duties of his said appointment at his office in Towanda Borough, Bradford County, Pa., on Friday, the 30th day of December, 1904, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. Any and all persons having claims against the said estate or upon the said fund are hereby notified and required to make their claim before said auditor at that time and place, or be debarred from coming in upon said fund.

CHAS. M. CULVER, Auditor.

Towanda, Pa., Dec. 8 1904. 4t

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Citizens National Bank of Towanda, for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Bank in Towanda, Pa., on January 10, 1905, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock p. m.

J. K. NEWELL, Cashier.

Towanda, Pa., Dec. 8, 1904.

NOTICE IN PARTITION.

BRADFORD COUNTY, SS:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the High Sheriff of Bradford County, greeting:

In the matter of partition of the real estate of Rebecca Hammond late of the Township of Wells, deceased.

Seal of the Orphans' Court of Bradford County

To Julia D. Smith, Amelia Shepard, Samuel H. Brasted, Sarah Brasted, Edward Brasted, Edward R. Brasted, Mary J. Brasted, Thomas L. Simmons, Marshall A. Simmons, James Brasted, Harriet Smith, Emma Clark, Julia Russell, Lulu McBride Carter, Pearl McBride Hollock, Jennie McBride, William L. McBride, Henry McBride, Alice McBride, George McBride, Frank Brasted, John Brasted, Charles Brasted, Edward Brasted, Lydia Cory, Elmer F. Decker, Elizabeth Smith, Rebecca Fortune, Minnie Bertschy, Charlotte E. Smith, Jessie Johnson, Harry H. Donkerly, Judson Decker, Lettie Smith. The heirs of said decedent and all persons claiming under any of said heirs will take notice that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans Court of Bradford county a writ of partition has been issued on motion of John N. Califf, attorney for the petitioner, from said court to the Sheriff of said county directed returnable on the first Monday of February, 1905, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of real estate of said decedent on the premises herein described, on Tuesday, Jan. 24, A. D., 1905, at 10 o'clock, a. m. of the said day, at which time and place you can be present if you think proper.

The premises in question are situated in the Township of Wells, County of Bradford, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at the south east corner of lot 106 of the allotment of the Bingham Lands, in Wells and South Creek Townships, conveyed to John Brasted; thence along an east line of said lot north thirty five perches and one tenth of a perch; thence along the south line of lot No. 259 south 85° east sixty perches and one tenth of a perch; thence south one hundred and fifty seven perches and six tenths of a perch; thence along the south line of lot No. 95 west fifty nine perches and seven tenths of a perch; thence along the east line of lots No. 210 and 103 north one hundred and twenty seven perches and nine tenths of a perch to the place of beginning. Containing fifty six acres and sixth tenths of an acre with the usual allowance of six per cent for roads &c. be the same more or less. Being part of lot No. 210 of the allotment of the Bingham lands in Wells and South Creek Townships aforesaid. Also one other certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the Township of Wells aforesaid, adjoining the above described lot and bounded and described as follows, viz:—beginning sixty five perches north 71° west from the south east corner; thence north 20° east one hundred and sixteen perches to a post on the P. R. Knapp's line; thence south 59° east seventy six perches to a sugar maple; thence south twenty four perches to a post and stones; thence north 89¼° west thirty eight and nine tenths perches to a post and stones; thence south sixty nine and five tenths perches to a post and stones; thence north 71¼° west sixty five perches to the place of beginning. Containing forty acres of land be the same more or less. Being the same land conveyed to the decedent by the heirs of John Brasted, by deed recorded in Deed Book 53, Page 255, &c. STEPHEN F. ROBINSON,

Sheriff's Office, Towanda, Pa. Sherin.

Dec. 15, 1904. 6 t

Administrator's Notice.

Letters of administration on the estate of Truman Palmer, deceased, late of Pike Township, Bradford county, Pa., having been granted the undersigned, notice is hereby given that all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and all persons having claims against it must present them duly authenticated for settlement.

ERNEST PALMER, Administrator.

November 19, 1904. CHAS. M. CULVER, Atty.

Buyers read the Reporter-Journal.

Political Announcements.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Register and Recorder, subject to the rules of the Republican party of Bradford County. Primaries will be held June 10, 1905.

CHARLES P. DEWEY.

Gillett, Pa., Aug. 25, 1904.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Register and Recorder, subject to the rules of the Republican party of Bradford county. Primaries are to be held June 10, 1905.

Terrytown, Pa., Sept. 1. G. M. HOFFMAN

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for county commissioner, subject to the rules of the Republican party and pledge my best efforts for the welfare of the county if elected.

JOHN F. STRUBLE

Litchfield, Pa., Aug. 18.—tf.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the rules of the Republican party of Bradford County.

GEORGE M. GILBERT,

8sept4 Franklindale, Pa

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Register and Recorder, J. T. McCOLLOM

Troy, Pa., Sept. 8, 1904. Attorney-at-Law.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for sheriff of Bradford county, subject to Republican rules. Primaries are to be held June 10, 1905.

JOHN H. DEAN.

Towanda, Pa., Nov. 17, 1904.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of Treasurer, subject to the rules of the Republican party, of Bradford county. Primaries are to be held June 10th, 1905.

THEODORE PIERCE

Canton, Pa., Dec. 5, 1904. s10June5

Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Towanda for the election of Directors, will be held at the office of the Bank in Towanda, Pa., on January 10, 1905, between the hours of 1 and 3 o'clock, p. m.

U. M. FELL, Cashier.

Towanda, Pa., Dec 8, 1904.

NOTICE IN PARTITION.

BRADFORD COUNTY, SS:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the High Sheriff of Bradford County, greeting:

In the matter of partition of the real estate of E. W. Morgan late of the Township of Burlington, deceased.

Seal of the Orphans' Court of Bradford County

To D. W. Lane, Newton Morgan, G. L. Morgan, Jennie M. Pierce, Floyd A. Murray and Arthur J. Murray. The heirs of said decedent and all persons claiming under any of said heirs will take notice that in pursuance of an order of the Orphans Court of Bradford county a writ of partition has been issued on motion of John N. Califf, attorney for the petitioner, from said court to the sheriff of said county directed returnable on the first Monday of February, 1905, and that the inquest will meet for the purpose of making partition of real estate of said decedent on the premises herein described, on Thursday, Jan. 26, A. D., 1905, at 10 o'clock, a. m. of the said day, at which time and place you can be present if you think proper.

The premises in question are situated in the Township of Burlington, County of Bradford, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows:

On the north by lands of Helen Brown, formerly land of Mrs. Wright; on the east by the Berwick Turnpike; on the south by lands of Evan Lewis Estate formerly the land of L. S. Wright; on the west by lands of Dickerman, formerly A. McKean estate; Containing about one acre of land be the same more or less, with dwelling house and fruit trees thereon. Being the same land conveyed to E. W. Morgan and Permilla Morgan, his wife, by deed dated Sept. 26, 1903, recorded in Deed Book 254, Page 8. Permilla Morgan died Dec. 17, 1903 intestate leaving to survive her husband E. W. Morgan, as above stated. STEPHEN F. ROBINSON,

Sheriff's Office, Towanda, Pa. Sheriff.

Dec. 15, 1904. 6 t

Reporter-Journal Patterns

From the Latest

NEW YORK FASHIONS

Pattern For Lady's Shirt Waist or Blouse Designed by Martha Dean

Blouses made with the broad military shoulder are exceedingly smart and generally becoming and just now are greatly in vogue. The design shown here is an original one, having a tucked blouse front over which is worn the tab bertha. This bertha forms a smartly shaped yoke in the back. A very pretty cuff gives a stylish finish to the bishop sleeve. The blouse would be attractive in any of the colored linens with accessories of white pipings around the bertha and white cuffs and collar. The model is one that is suitable to nearly all the fancy waistings in both the cotton and woolen materials. Pattern No. 6168. Sizes for 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42 and 44 inches bust measure.

DIRECTIONS FOR ORDERING

Send 10 cents to this office, give number of this pattern, No. 6168, and state size desired. It will then be sent to you by mail postpaid. Be sure to write *plainly* and always give *full* address. Several days must be allowed for delivery of pattern.

Pattern For Girl's Gibson Dress Designed by Martha Dean

A mode that has long been popular because of its good style and graceful lines is pictured here, made up in fleece backed pique. Plaits are arranged in front and back and taper toward the waist, which is slightly bloused in the front. The closing is under the plait and the left side of the front, and the use of the fitted lining is optional. The collar is pointed, as is also the cuff, which finishes the bishop sleeve. The skirt is circular in shaping and the deep plaits give not only a pretty effect, but add fullness to the skirt. The design is appropriate for wash goods silk or woolen and will make a charming little frock when made up of dark blue serge, trimmed with large buttons, or shaped bands of contrasting material might be used over the shoulders and on the skirt in place of buttons. With such a little dress one might wear a leather belt, and the result would be most gratifying. Serge, cashmere, silk, checks, challis and washable materials will give satisfaction.

Material required for eight year girl, 3½ yards 36 inches wide.

Pattern No. 4466.

Sizes, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12 and 14 years.

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LATE LOCAL BREVETIES.

Short Newsy Paragraphs Gathered In and About the County.

The Mantuas have decided to hold their masquerade ball on Monday evening, Jan. 2, 1905.

Joseph Riley, an Elmira wife beater, was sentened to five years at hard labor in Auburn prison.

William J. Morris, a nine year old Binghamton boy, died last week Thursday of diphtheria.

A play given by the inmates of the Elmira reformatory on Thursday night was a great success.

Elmira barber shops are to open at 7:30 in the morning instead of 7 o'clock during the winter months.

Edward R. Sellick of Burlington has just been granted an incease of pension from $17 to $24 per month.

The Sayre trackless trolley road will be ready, it is expected, to carry passengers by July 1, of next year.

Canton's water supply is approaching a low mark and users are cautioned to use the commodity economically.

Very favorable reports are received from Mrs. Herbert H. Graves who is at the German hospital at Philadelphia.

The next meeting of the Bradford County Historical society will be Monroe day. A fine program is being prepared.

Some fifty tons of sole leather are cut up in the Endicott-Johnson shoe factory's sole department each day at Lestershire.

Dan S. Richards, Esq., the oldest attorney in point of practice at Binghamton, died on Wednesday of last week, aged 74 years.

Adra M. Walker of Athens and Miss Rachael E. Waterman of Barton, N. Y., were married by Rev. C. L. Lewis at Nichols on Dec. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Benedict of Canton celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage on Saturday evening, Dec. 3.

Mrs. Leslie Perry, Miss Margaret Burk and Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lunt, all of Laquin, were registered at the Ochs House on Saturday.

At the annual meeting of the Chemung County Agricultural society Chief of Police Cassada of Elmira was again chosen president.

Rev. P. D. Jacobus of Tunkhannock struck his wrist against a rusty nail recently and is suffering a great deal of pain from the inflammation.

The bicycle stolen from Clyde Anthony at Milan has been recovered by the Binghamton police from E. Snedaker of that city. He was not held.

Daniel D. Miller and Emma H. Schack both of Wilmot, Pa., were married at the Norwood hotel at Waverly, Tuesday, Dec. 6 by Rev. M. S. Goodshall.

It is said that at a recent church social in Tioga the many respectable people were scandalized by the misconduct of a lot of ill behaved late comers.

Teachers are said to be very scarce at Elmira, sickness having compelled many to leave their duties and substitutes cannot be obtained in many cases.

A three-year-old child was burned to death and six other persons were seriously burned in a fire at Elk Run, near Punxsutawney, Wednesday night of this week.

Rev. U. A. White, a former pastor of the Church of Christ in Canton, died at Randolph, Ohio, Sunday, Dec. 4, after an illness dating from about the first of October.

A cannon ball was found while some excavations were being made at Berwick. It is supposed that it was used in the defense of Fort McClure against the Indians.

The large tannery at Medix Run owned by the Gleasons at Canton burned last Thursday entailing a loss from $200,000 to $300,000, mostly covered by insurance.

The Towanda Musical society will be entertained on Thursday by Miss Amelia P. Welles. The composers for the day will be Berlioz, Saint Saens, Chaminade, Bizet and Guonod.

The Canton Village Improvement society started with a membership of 40. Mrs. W. T. Davison is the president, Mrs. M. R. Foster corresponding secretary and Mrs. Earl Lindley recording secretary.

The piano pupils of Miss Katherine Carroll gave a recital at her home on York avenue last Wednesday, assisted by Miss Rose Blair, vocalist. The occasion was a very enjoyable one. Refreshments were served.

The parents of two truant boys in Carbondale were recently called before a city alderman and fined $2 each and costs. The school authorities are endeavoring to enforce the compulsory education act and threaten other arrests.

Edward Ives of Muncy was seriously injured at Laporte Monday. He was loading logs on a car when a log slipped and struck him, knocking him off the car. He struck the rail on his back near the shoulders. Fortunately no bones were broken.

ABOUT FOLKS YOU KNOW.

Local Photographs of People Who Are Coming and Going.

S. J. Brasted of Wells was in town Friday.

Mrs. Mollie Means is visiting relatives here.

F. R. Mitten of Wyalusing was in town Friday.

C. A. Innes of Canton was a Towanda visitor Friday.

Judge E. M. Dunham of Laporte was in town Saturday.

Charles McNeal was a Sullivan county hunter last week.

F. A. Sawyer has returned from a month's stay in New York city.

Martin Stalford of Wyalusing was the guest of Towanda friends Friday.

Miss Gerda Maryott, who has a fine position in Maryland, is home for a few weeks.

G. J. Johnson of Laceyville was registered at the Ward House Fri-House Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Osthaus of Overton were registered at the Tidd House Friday.

Miss Mary Whalen has returned from a stay of several months at Whitehall, N. Y.

Mrs. Rosenmuller of Niagara Falls is a guest at her father's, M. C. Mercur, on Main street.

I. N. Bearslee and J. F. Clark of Canton were registered at the Ward House on Saturday.

Miss Helen Rockwell has returned from a visit in Harrisburg, Williamsport and Hazleton.

Mrs. J. A. Creveling is entertaining Mrs. H. C. Hess and Miss Madge Rockey of New York city.

Miss Sarah D. Mercur has returned from a visit of several weeks in Wallingford and Philadelphia.

Miss Anna Griffiths has returned from a visit in New York city with Mr. and Mrs. S. F. B. Morse.

Miss Alice Owen, teacher in the Towanda public schools, has been confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. C. D. Humphrey is visiting her daughters, Mrs. J. L. Beers and Miss Helen L. Humphrey at Providence, R. I.

Among the attorneys here Friday were H. B. Corey of Gilletts, D. J. Fanning of Troy and C. C. Yocum of Sayre.

Harrison Tracy, brother of former Secretary of the Navy B. F. Tracy, died at his home at South Apalachin Tuesday.

Major and Mrs. J. C. Robinson of Troy have been spending a few days with their son, Sheriff Stephen F. Robinson.

W. G. Gallaher of the Wilkesbarre Leader and Mr. Tripp of the Binghamton Press are here reporting the murder trial.

Mrs. Eudora Stevens and Miss Margaret Stevens left on Saturday for New York and from there sailed Tuesday for their winter home at Englewood, Fla.

Mrs. A. J. Schumann and little son Paul have returned to their home in Chicago after a few months visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Saben, at Towanda.

Mrs. Little of Norfolk, who has been spending two weeks in Troy, returned to her home Friday, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Lizzie Ward Ballard.—Troy Register.

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UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in Towanda postoffice for week ending Dec. 12, 1904.

Ladies' List.

Mrs. C. C. Bartles, Mrs. S. J. Campbell, Mrs. R. F. Hainsworth, Mrs. S. Jackson, Mrs. Wm. Heath, Mrs. Ida Heaney, Mrs. Henry Mikels, Margaret McQue, Mrs. H. C. Northrup, Mrs. R. Pool, Florence Teare.

Gentlemen's List.

Jerry Barber, V. H. Clymer, Philip Diatz, Sam'l Johnson, F. E. Kehner, Geo. W. Kelley, Mgr. B. B. Team T. H. S., Otis Mace, Pat'k Meehan, Wallie Pool, Francis J. Sullivan, C. E. Thompson.

Persons calling for any of the above will please say "Advertised," giving date of list. If not called for in two weeks they will be sent to the Dead Letter Offie.

All the mail matter should be addressed to street and number to insure prompt and correct delivery by carriers. Matter not so addressed is often detained on that account.

One cent due will be collected on all advertised letters.

D. M. Turner, P. M.

Handkerchief Bazaar.

The ladies social and missionary circle of Laquin, will hold their handkerchief bazaar at the school house Saturday evening, Dec. 17. Handkerchiefs and fine home-made candies will be on sale. Also those who love fishing will have an opportunity to practice that art at the fish pond. The proceeds will go towards seating the vacant school room for church purposes. All are invited.

RIDGEBURY.

A dance at the Glen House given by the Maccabees Friday evening was a pleasant affair.

Fred VanBuren attended the funeral of his mother at Chemung on Wednesday.

Mrs. Algie Sydney recently fell and injured herself quite badly.

William Larrison has exchanged his driving team with an Elmira man for a large gray team.

Israel P. Burt, who is nearly 104 years old, is in a very feeble condition.

Mrs. Phil Hanlon was called to Willawana by the illness of her mother on Wednesday.

The Doty Hill telephone line has commenced business.

Mrs. Guy Halstead has very recently become blind in one eye, and not much hope given for the sight of the other to be retained. Mrs. Halstead has the sympathy of her many friends.

SOUTH WARREN.

Mrs. Margaret Nichols, wife of John English, died at the home of her son, Cyrus, at South Branch, Wednesday morning, dec. 7, after a long and at times a most painful illness. Mrs. English was about 62 years of age. She leaves to mourn her death her husband and three sons, William of Waverly, and Cyrus and Thomas of South Branch. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Mr. Fisk of New Albany with burial at the Kellogg cemetery.

UHDEY.

Born, Dec. 9, to Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Mingos, a daughter.

William Drake and bride of East Smithfield are visiting at James Fuls.

Mrs. E. W. Ellis is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Luther, near Waverly.

Several from here are attending the singing school at Durell.

Jesse Coolbaugh of Wysox has purchased Mrs. Belle Decker's farm here and took possession the past week.

TOWNER.

There will be a Christmas tree entertainment entitled "Old Mother Goose" at the Towner Hill church Friday evening, Dec. 23.

Mrs. John Kilmer of Niagara Falls, is visiting relatives and friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Fred Vough is going to have a rag bee Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Refuburg visited in Sayre and Athens a few days last week.

A number from this place attended the drama at Hotel Woodburn in Rome Thursday and Friday evenings of last week.

WEST VALLEY.

Jos. Stalford and wife go this week to Erie to attend State grange.

Flossie Trumbull is visiting her sister, Mrs. Edward Vroman, at Campsville.

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JUDGE DUNHAM FILES SEVERAL OPINIONS.

Some Interesting Cases That Have Come Before Him.

Judge E. M. Dunham of Laporte has just handed in to the court of common pleas of Bradford county his decision in the suit of H. G. Padget vs. the Towanda Water works which came before him on a writ of certiorari from the court of Justice of the Peace John H. Orcutt of Towanda. The justice gave a judgment of $1.08 and costs in favor of Mr. Padget and the water company alleged that the justice showed partiality in his finding. Judge Dunham says in his decision that there is no evidence of any partiality and that the court has no power to review the action of the justice and that the judgment is affirmed.

Justice Orcutt gave his decision on Dec. 8, 1903. It appears that Mr Padget had failed to pay his water rent and the water had been turned off. When he went to pay his bill the water company attached a bill of $1 extra for turning the water on again. Mr. Padget paid it under protest and he sued to recover judgment, the justice finding in his favor.

In the suit of Henry A. Howard et al vs. John H. Murray, in which a verdict for the plaintiffs with the exception of the Fairchild heirs, was directed by the supreme court, the rule for a new trial was discharged. On the reserved point as to whether the Fairchilds were entitled to interest upon the $300 to be paid them, Judge Dunham finds that the Fairchilds had retained possession of the property not because they had not been paid the $300 but because they had contended that the plaintiffs were not entitled to the property.

In the suit of Fred Heverly against Addison Rinebold and others, road commissioners of Overton township, the opinion filed allows the temporary injunction granted heretofore to be continued until the final hearing.

In regard to the inquest over the body of F. W. Bowman who committed suicide on April 24, 1904, Justice E. A. Thompson conducting the inquest, the court declines to approve of any costs except those of viewing the body. When the report of the inquest was filed Bradford county, through its solicitor, William Maxwell, Esq., objected on the ground that there was no urgent necessity for the inquest. Judge Dunham approves of a former finding of Judge Peck in which he says that while the costs with the exception of the viewing of the body are not approved, yet when a coroner or justice of the peace is called upon to perform this duty he is entitled to a fee for the service.

Fought With Prisoners.

Chief of Police Edward Norton, of Jersey Shore, was found dead in a room at the station house early Sunday morning. His death, it is alleged, was due to a kick in the stomach received while he and Roundsman Robinson were arresting two men. The men resisted, and in the struggle the police officers fought until they were exhausted. They imprisoned the men.

Wife Against Husband.

Mrs. Rebecca Murphy, of Wilkesbarre, on Saturday filed an involuntary petition in bankruptcy against her former husband, William Farrell, asking that he be declared insolvent. She avers that he owes debts aggregating $4,000 and that she personally holds claim amounting to $1,800 against him for alimony.

Another Sanitarium.

Hon. George Staples, representing a number of capitalists, has purchased 126 acres of land at Bridgeport, a small town across the river from White Haven, and it is said that another sanitarium is to be established. It is as high as any point in that section. It is said that work on the buildings will be begun in the spring.

Sentences by Burgess.

John Henley, the obnoxious tramp artist, who got out of jail on Monday and was run in by Chief Miller the same afternoon, was given a sentence of 30 days Tuesday by Burgess Pratt. He will get a good, stiff dose on the stone pile. John Flaherty got 15 days for drunkenness and a drunken woodsman received a fine of $3.50.

Death of Dr. Wells.

Dr. E. H. Wells, father of J. Eppes Wells of this place, died at his home at Meshoppen Tuesday morning at 1:45 of diabetes and heart failure, aged 63 years. He enjoyed a large practice in Meshoppen and vicinity and was a highly respected citizen. The funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon.

A Defective Sidewalk.

Binding instructions to find for the defendant were given in court on Saturday, in the case of Bridget Garland against Wilkesbarre city. Miss Garland was injured by falling on a sidewalk and she alleged that the city was responsible for not having the walk kept in proper condition.

Eighty-Eighth Birthday.

Tuesday was the eighty-eighth anniversary of the birth of Major E. W. Hale of this place, that well known and popular gentleman having been born on Dec. 13, 1816. Major Hale's many friends will congratulate him on the occasion of his birthday and trust that he will see many more of them.

Took Their Share.

John F. Mannix, of Towanda, Jud Abbott of Nanticoke and Frank Curran of Scranton attended and took part in a shoot at Overshot on Saturday. They did business and their share of the bulls eye on the target was 11 chickens, 10 rabbits and a pig.

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